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1. Document ID: JP 10327868 A

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File: JPAB

Dec 15, 1998

PUB-NO: JP410327868A

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: JP 10327868 A

TITLE: MUTANT PULLULANASE

PUBN-DATE: December 15, 1998

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME

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SUMITOMO, NOBUYUKI

HATADA, YUUJI

ICHIMURA, TAKASHI

SAITO, KAZUHIRO

KAWAI, SHUJI

ITO, SUSUMU

INT-CL (IPC): C12N 15/09; C07H 21/04; C11D 3/386; C11D 7/42; C12N 1/21; C12N 9/00; C12N 9/44

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2. Document ID: EP 1092014 A2, WO 200001796 A2, AU 9948971 A

L9: Entry 2 of 6

File: DWPI

Apr 18, 2001

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 2000-160767

DERWENT-WEEK: 200123

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TITLE: Variant bacterial pullulanases and isoamylases having, e.g. increased thermostability, used for converting starch from potatoes into high fructose syrup

INVENTOR: BISGARD-FRANTZEN, H; SVENDSEN, A

PRIORITY-DATA: 1998DK-0000868 (July 2, 1998)

## PATENT-FAMILY:

PUB-NO	PUB-DATE	LANGUAGE	PAGES	MAIN-IPC
EP 1092014 A2	April 18, 2001	E	000	C12N009/44
WO 200001796 A2	January 13, 2000	E	116	C12N000/00
AU 9948971 A	January 24, 2000	N/A	000	C12N000/00

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3. Document ID: EP 1060253 A2, WO 9945124 A2, AU 9929801 A, BR 9908422 A

L9: Entry 3 of 6

File: DWPI

Dec 20, 2000

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1999-540851

DERWENT-WEEK: 200105

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TITLE: New modified pullulanase for saccharification of aqueous liquefied starch

INVENTOR: MILLER, B S; SHETTY, J K

PRIORITY-DATA: 1998US-0034630 (March 4, 1998)

## PATENT-FAMILY:

PUB-NO	PUB-DATE	LANGUAGE	PAGES	MAIN-IPC
EP 1060253 A2	December 20, 2000	E	000	C12N015/56
WO 9945124 A2	September 10, 1999	E	048	C12N015/56
AU 9929801 A	September 20, 1999	N/A	000	C12N015/56
BR 9908422 A	October 31, 2000	N/A	000	C12N015/56

INT-CL (IPC): C12N 1/21; C12N 1/21; C12N 9/34; C12N 9/44; C12N 15/56; C12N 15/75; C12P 19/16; C12R 1/10; C12R 1/22; C12N 9/44; C12R 1/07; C12N 1/21; C12R 1/10; C12N 9/44; C12R 1/07; C12R 1/22

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4. Document ID: JP 10327868 A

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File: DWPI

Dec 15, 1998

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1999-099031  
DERWENT-WEEK: 199909  
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TITLE: New mutant pullulanase - useful in bleach-containing detergents

PRIORITY-DATA: 1997JP-0141596 (May 30, 1997)

PATENT-FAMILY:

PUB-NO	PUB-DATE	LANGUAGE	PAGES	MAIN-IPC
JP 10327868 A	December 15, 1998	N/A	019	C12N015/09

INT-CL (IPC): C07H 21/04; C11D 3/386; C11D 7/42; C12N 1/21; C12N 9/00; C12N 9/44; C12N 15/09; C12N 15/09; C12R 1/07; C12N 1/21; C12R 1/19; C12N 9/44; C12R 1/19

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5. Document ID: US 5965442 A, JP 07177891 A, JP 2604988 B2

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Oct 12, 1999

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1995-279919  
DERWENT-WEEK: 199949  
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TITLE: Modifying a transferase by enhancing hydrophobicity of a selected site - increases transfer activity, also new mutant neo-pullulanase(s)

INVENTOR: KANEKO, H; KURIKI, T ; OKADA, S ; SHIMADA, J ; TAKADA, T ; TAKATA, H ; YANASE, M

PRIORITY-DATA: 1993JP-0306096 (November 12, 1993)

PATENT-FAMILY:

PUB-NO	PUB-DATE	LANGUAGE	PAGES	MAIN-IPC
US 5965442 A	October 12, 1999	N/A	000	C12N015/11
JP 07177891 A	July 18, 1995	N/A	018	C12N015/09
JP 2604988 B2	April 30, 1997	N/A	018	C12N015/09

INT-CL (IPC): C12N 9/44; C12N 15/09; C12N 15/11; C12N 15/54; C12N 15/56; C12N 15/70; C12N 9/44; C12R 1/19; C12N 15/09; C12R 1/07; C12N 15/09; C12R 1/07; C12N 9/44; C12R 1/19

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6. Document ID: US 4737459 A

L9: Entry 6 of 6

File: DWPI

Apr 12, 1988

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1988-119083

DERWENT-WEEK: 198817

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TITLE: Amylase(s), pullulanase and ethanol prodn. - by culture of mutant strains of clostridium thermosulphurogenes and thermohydrosulphuricum

INVENTOR: HYAN, H H; ZEIKUS, J G

PRIORITY-DATA: 1985US-0716045 (March 26, 1985), 1984US-0652588 (September 18, 1984)

PATENT-FAMILY:

PUB-NO	PUB-DATE	LANGUAGE	PAGES	MAIN-IPC
US 4737459 A	April 12, 1988	N/A	015	N/A

INT-CL (IPC): C12N 9/34; C12P 7/14

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L9 ANSWER 1 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:367036 CAPLUS  
TITLE: Screening and production of debranching enzyme from  
**bacteria**  
AUTHOR(S): Naito, Shinsuke  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Agriculture, Research Lab. for  
Microbiology, Meijo University, Japan  
SOURCE: Meijo Daigaku Nogakubu Gakujutsu Hokoku (2001), 37,  
103-108  
CODEN: MDNGBZ; ISSN: 0910-3376  
PUBLISHER: Meijo Daigaku Nogakubu  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: Japanese  
AB Debranching enzyme-producing **bacteria** were investigated widely  
from various sources using the following medium (1% maltose or 0.5%  
.beta.-limited dextrin (.beta.-L.D.), 0.2% (NH4)2HPO4, 0.1% sodium  
glutamate, trace of yeast exts. and other inorg. salts) and a slightly  
modified selective procedure for **bacteria** producing  
**pullulanase** and isoamylase by Ruben et al. This screening method  
was very effective in comparison with their report and consequently about  
40% of isolated colonies (273 strains) yielded the enzymes. Most of them  
were supposed as **Klebsiella** species showing relatively high  
prodn. of **pullulanase** and no amylolytic activity. Some were  
supposed as **Bacillus** species which were found to produce both  
**pullulanase** and .alpha.-amylase in their culture fluid. On the  
other hand, 8 strains selected as isoamylase-producing **bacteria**  
showed a little activities on amylopectin as a substrate at pH 5.2 and  
40.degree.C, but did not at 50.degree.C. Extracellular  
**pullulanase** activities of No. 5-4, No. 28, No. 18 and No. 65  
supposed as **Klebsiella** sp. were 83, 70 and 64 nkat./mL of  
culture, resp. Acid- and temp.-tolerance of these enzymes were slightly  
superior ot that of **K. pneumoniae**. **Pullulanase**  
activity of No. G-17 supposed as **Bacillus** sp. was 41 nkat/mL of  
culture and acid-tolerance of its enzyme was inferior to that of **B.**  
**acidopullulyticus**.

L9 ANSWER 2 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:68546 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:104698  
TITLE: Glucoamylase variants with improved specific  
activity and/or thermostability  
INVENTOR(S): Nielsen, Bjarne Ronfeldt; Svendsen, Allan; Pedersen,  
Henrik; Vind, Jesper; Hendriksen, Hanne Vang;  
Frandsen, Torben Peter  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novo Nordisk A/S, Den.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 117 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 2000004136	A1	20000127	WO 1999-DK392	19990709
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 JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MD, MG, MK,  
 MN, MW, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ,  
 TM, TR, TT, UA, UG, UZ, VN, YU, ZA, ZW, AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD,  
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 CI, CM, GA, GN, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG  
 AU 9947699 A1 20000207 AU 1999-47699 19990709  
 EP 1097196 A1 20010509 EP 1999-931029 19990709  
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 IE, SI, LT, LV, FI, RO  
 PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: DK 1998-937 A 19980715  
 DK 1998-1667 A 19981217  
 WO 1998-DK937 W 19980715  
 WO 1998-DK1667 W 19981217  
 WO 1999-DK392 W 19990709

**AB** The invention relates to a **variant** of a parent fungal glucoamylase, which exhibits improved thermal stability and/or increased specific activity using saccharide substrates. The x-ray structure and/or

model-build structure of Aspergillus awamori **variant** X100 glucoamylase was subjected to mol. dynamics simulations to identify regions important for temp.-stable activity. The truncated G1 glucoamylase from Aspergillus niger was **modified** by (1) random mutagenesis, (2) localized random, doped mutagenesis, or (3) PCR

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spiked with DNA oligonucleotides in order to prep. **variants** having improved thermostability compared to the parent enzyme. Such glucoamylase **variants** have use in starch saccharification, oligosaccharide prodn., specialty syrups, producing ethanol for fuel, producing beverages, and producing org. compds. (citric acid, ascorbic acid, lysine, glutamic acid).

REFERENCE COUNT:

4

REFERENCE(S):

- (1) Chen, H; Protein Eng (ENGLAND) 1995, V8(6), P575 CAPLUS
- (2) Fierobe, H; Biochemistry (UNITED STATES) 1996, V35(26), P8696 CAPLUS
- (3) Iowa State University Research Foundation Inc; WO 9803639 A1 1998 CAPLUS
- (4) Novo Nordisk AS; WO 9200381 A1 1992 CAPLUS

L9 ANSWER 3 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:34954 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:90065

TITLE: Genetic engineering of starch-debranching enzymes for improved thermostability and specificity

INVENTOR(S): Bisgaard-Frantzen, Henrik; Svendsen, Allan

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novo Nordisk A/S, Den.

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 116 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

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PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 2000001796	A2	20000113	WO 1999-DK381	19990702
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 AU 9948971 A1 20000124 AU 1999-48971 19990702  
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 IE, SI, LT, LV, FI, RO  
 PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: DK 1998-868 A 19980702  
 WO 1999-DK381 W 19990702

**AB** The invention relates to a genetically engineered **variant** of a parent starch-debranching enzyme, i.e. a **pullulanase** or an isoamylase, the enzyme **variant** having an improved thermostability at a pH in the range of 4-6 compared to the parent enzyme and/or an increased activity towards amylopectin and/or glycogen compared to the parent enzyme. Methods for producing such starch-debranching enzyme **variants** with improved thermostability and/or altered substrate specificity are provided. Alignment of **pullulanases** of **Bacillus acidopullulyticus** and **Bacillus deramificans**, and of isoamylases of **Rhodothermus marinus** and **Pseudomonas amyloferosa**, identified specific loop regions and amino acid residues appropriate for substitution with thermostability-conferring residues. The **modified** enzymes should yield improved conversion of starch to one or more sugars.

L9 ANSWER 4 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:577030 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 131:196365  
 TITLE: N-terminal-truncated analogs of **bacterial pullulanases** retaining normal enzymic activity  
 INVENTOR(S): Miller, Brian S.; Shetty, Jayarama K.  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Genencor International, Inc., USA  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 49 pp.  
 CODEN: PIXXD2  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9945124	A2	19990910	WO 1999-US4627	19990303
WO 9945124	A3	19991118		
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AU 9929801	A1	19990920	AU 1999-29801	19990303
BR 9908422	A	20001031	BR 1999-8422	19990303
EP 1060253	A2	20001220	EP 1999-911068	19990303
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1998-34630	A 19980304
			WO 1999-US4627	W 19990303

**AB** **Pullulanases** from **Bacillus** and **Klebsiella** that retain normal 1,6-.alpha.-glycosidase activity despite having truncations of up to 300 amino acids from the N-terminal domain, optionally with further amino acid substitutions, and that may be useful in the starch industry are described. The present invention provides methods for producing the **modified pullulanase**, enzymic compns. comprising the **modified pullulanase**, and methods for the saccharification of starch comprising the use of the

enzymic compns. Expression of the **Bacillus deramificans** **pullulanase** gene in **B. licheniformis** hosts lacking **the Carlsberg subtilisin** and endopeptidase Glu-C resulted in the appearance of a series of N-terminal deletions of the **pullulanase**. Saccharification of starch with mixts. of glucoamylase (20%) and the **pullulanases** (80%) led to the saccharification of the starch without the formation of disaccharides.

L9 ANSWER 5 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:282063 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:316457  
 TITLE: Plaque-inhibiting oral compositions comprising enzymes  
 INVENTOR(S): Tsuchiya, Rie  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novo Nordisk A/S, Den.  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 25 pp.  
 CODEN: PIXXD2  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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 PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9920239	A1	19990429	WO 1998-DK452	19981016
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			WO 1998-DK452	W 19981016

AB Oral compns. comprise plaque-inhibiting or plaque-removing enzymes, in particular at least one starch-hydrolyzing enzyme, e.g. an  $\alpha$ -amylase

or a debranching enzyme such as a **pullulanase**, and/or at least one starch-modifying enzyme, e.g. a transglucosidase or a CGTase, and to a method for inhibiting plaque formation or removing plaque

using such oral compns. Hydroxyapatite coated with sterilized saliva were

immersed in a culture broth contg. various microorganisms and 200MANU/mL Maltogenase (**bacterial** maltogenic  $\alpha$ -amylase) so that an oral biofilm was formed on the disks. After cultivation, the disks were rinsed and stained and the intensity of the red color was compared to

that of non-treated disks. The plaque intensity of the Maltogenase was 36.8 as

compared with 100% for the controls.

REFERENCE COUNT: 11  
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 (5) Harrisson; US 3194738 A 1965 CAPLUS  
 (6) Klueppel; US 5145665 A 1992 CAPLUS  
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L9 ANSWER 6 OF 21 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 19 259400 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199698815529  
TITLE: Mutagenesis of *Burkholderia pseudomallei* with Tn5-OT182:  
Characterization of **mutants** deficient in  
protease, lipase and lecithinase.  
AUTHOR(S): Deshazer, D.; Brett, P. J.; Woods, D. E.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ. Calgary, Calgary, AB Canada  
SOURCE: Abstracts of the General Meeting of the American Society  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 96:147063 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: TV358  
TITLE: MOLECULAR MIMICRY - THE GEOGRAPHICAL-DISTRIBUTION OF  
IMMUNE-RESPONSES TO **KLEBSIELLA** IN  
ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS AND ITS RELEVANCE TO THERAPY  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV LONDON KINGS COLL, DIV LIFE SCI, IMMUNOL SECT,  
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AB The discovery that HLA-B27 is linked to ankylosing spondylitis (AS)  
and

HLA-DR1/DR4 to rheumatoid arthritis (RA) has provided new approaches to  
the study of the possible causation of these diseases.

Several theories have been proposed to explain these associations but  
only one, namely 'molecular mimicry', has provided a specific  
aetiological agent for each of these diseases.

Molecular mimicry between HLA-B27 and two molecules in  
**Klebsiella** microbes: nitrogenase and **pullulanase** D has  
been reported whilst in *Proteus* microbes, the haemolysin molecule shows  
sterochemical similarity to HLA-DR1/DR4.

Elevated immune responses to **Klebsiella** microbes have been  
demonstrated in AS patients from 10 different countries and this wide  
geographical distribution suggests that the same aetiological agent is  
probably acting in producing this condition.

Furthermore RA patients show similar immune responses to *Proteus*  
microbes.

Whether AS or RA are caused by these **bacteria** can only be  
resolved by tissue typing all rheumatological patients early, in the  
course of their disease and then assessing their response to antibiotic  
chemotherapy in longitudinal studies involving double-blind crossover  
trials.

It is possible that in the future, the course of AS or even RA could  
be modified by adequate antibiotic chemotherapy or even diets which  
affect the substrates on which these **bacteria** grow.

L9 ANSWER 8 OF 21 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 95:636185 SCISEARCH

: THE GENUINE ARTICLE: RU825  
TITLE: EXTRACELLULAR SECRETION OF **PULLULANASE** IS  
UNAFFECTED BY MINOR SEQUENCE CHANGES BUT IS USUALLY  
PREVENTED BY ADDING REPORTER PROTEINS TO ITS N-TERMINAL  
OR  
C-TERMINAL END  
AUTHOR: SAUVONNET N; POQUET I; PUGSLEY A P (Reprint)  
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SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, (SEP 1995) Vol. 177, No. 18, pp.  
5238-5246.  
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REFERENCE COUNT: 32

\*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS\*

AB Linker insertions in the **pullulanase** structural gene (*pulaA*)  
were examined for their effects on **pullulanase** activity and cell  
surface localization in *Escherichia coli* carrying the cognate secretion  
genes from *Klebsiella oxytoca*. Of the 23 insertions, 11  
abolished **pullulanase** activity but none were found to prevent  
secretion. To see whether more drastic changes affected secretion, we  
fused up to five reporter proteins (*E. coli* periplasmic alkaline  
phosphatase, *E. coli* periplasmic maltose-binding protein, periplasmic TEM  
beta-lactamase, *Erwinia chrysanthemi* extracellular endoglucanase Z, and  
*Bacillus subtilis* extracellular levansucrase) to three different  
positions in the **pullulanase** polypeptide: close to the N  
terminus of the mature protein, at the C terminus of the protein, or at  
the C terminus of a truncated **pullulanase variant**  
lacking the last 256 amino acids. Only 3 of the 13 different hybrids were  
efficiently secreted: 2 in which beta-lactamase was fused to the C  
terminus of full-length or truncated **pullulanase** and 1 in which  
maltose-binding protein was fused close to the N terminus of  
**pullulanase**. Affinity-purified endoglucanase-**pullulanase**  
and **pullulanase**-endoglucanase hybrids exhibited apparently  
normal levels of **pullulanase** activity, indicating that the  
conformation of the **pullulanase** segment of the hybrid had not  
been dramatically altered by the presence of the reporter. However,  
**pullulanase** endoglucanase hybrids were secreted efficiently if the  
endoglucanase component comprised only the 60-amino-acid, C-terminal  
cellulose-binding domain, suggesting that at least one factor limiting  
hybrid protein secretion might be the size of the reporter.

L9 ANSWER 9 OF 21 MEDLINE  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 95221318 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95221318 PubMed ID: 7706211  
TITLE: Random mutagenesis of **pullulanase** from  
*Klebsiella aerogenes* for studies of the structure  
and function of the enzyme.  
AUTHOR: Yamashita M; Kinoshita T; Ihara M; Mikawa T; Murooka Y  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Fermentation Technology, Faculty of  
Engineering, Hiroshima University.  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BIOCHEMISTRY, (1994 Dec) 116 (6) 1233-40.  
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AB To study the structure and function of **pullulanase** from *Klebsiella aerogenes*, a method involving random mutagenesis of the entire gene for **pullulanase** was used. Out of 50,000 clones screened at high temperature, seven genes for **mutant** proteins were identified by DNA sequencing. The amino acid substitutions in the seven **mutant** proteins were clustered on the NH<sub>2</sub>-terminal side of the four conserved regions found in alpha-amylases. These **mutant** **pullulanases** were classified into two types: those whose catalytic activity was altered and those whose thermal stability was increased. The results presented here and in previous reports suggest that **pullulanase** from *K. aerogenes* has similar active sites to those of alpha-amylases with the four conserved regions, as well as another substrate-binding site closer to the NH<sub>2</sub>-terminus. The plate assay method used for isolation of thermostable **variants** may be applicable to the generation of useful **variants** of other enzymes.

L9 ANSWER 10 OF 21 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS DUPLICATE 1  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:123729 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199598138029  
TITLE: The genetic manipulation of the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* with the aim of converting polysaccharide-rich agricultural crops and industrial waste to single-cell protein and fuel ethanol.  
AUTHOR(S): Pretorius, I. S.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Dep. Mikrobiol., Inst. Biotechnol., Univ. van Stellenbosch, Stellenbosch 7600 South Africa  
SOURCE: Suid-Afrikaanse Tydskrif vir Natuurwetenskap en Tegnologie,  
Tegnologie, (1994) Vol. 13, No. 3, pp. 66-80.  
ISSN: 0254-3486.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: General Review  
LANGUAGE: Afrikaans  
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: Afrikaans; English  
AB The world's problem with overpopulation and environmental pollution has created an urgent demand for alternative protein and energy sources. One way of addressing these burning issues is to produce single-cell protein (for food and animal feed supplements) and fuel ethanol from polysaccharide-rich agricultural crops and industrial waste by using baker's yeast. Owing to the absence of certain depolymerising enzymes, the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* is unable to utilise the vast reserves of energy sources present in starch, pectin, cellulose and hemicellulose. Enzymes such as amylases, pectinases, cellulases and hemicellulases are required for the release of fermentable sugars from these polysaccharides. For the complete conversion of starch to glucose one requires a liquefaction enzyme (alpha-amylase), a saccharifying enzyme (glucoamylase) and a debranching enzyme (**pullulanase**). Thus far we have cloned, manipulated and expressed the alpha-amylase gene (AMY1) from the Gram-positive **bacterium** *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens*, the glucoamylase gene (STA2) from *S. cerevisiae* var. *diastaticus* and the **pullulanase** gene (PULL) from the Gram-negative **bacterium** *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in *S. cerevisiae*. To circumvent the expensive pretreatment (a cooking process) of starch in future industrial plants, we have also cloned the genes (RSAl and RSG1) encoding raw starch-degrading amylases from the yeast *Endomycetes fibuliger* and are currently endeavoring to incorporate these genes into the existing amylase cassette to be expressed in *S. cerevisiae*. The bioconversion of pectin is catalysed by pectinesterases and depolymerases. Some strains of *S. cerevisiae* produce pectinesterase and can convert pectin into pectate. A pectinase cassette comprising yeast expression/secretion systems that contain a pectate lyase gene (PEL5) from the plant pathogen *Erwinia chrysanthemi*, and the polygalacturonase gene (PEH1) from *Erwinia carotovora* was designed and successfully expressed in *S. cerevisiae*. The

most important enzymes involved in the degradation and utilisation of cellulose and hemicellulose can be divided into the following groups: endoglucanase (glucanohydrolase), exoglucanase (cellobiohydrolase), cellobiase (beta-glucosidase), beta-xylanase, beta-xylosidase and xylose isomerase. We have cloned, modified and expressed the endo-beta-1,4-glucanase gene (END1) from the rumen bacterium Butyrivibrio fibrisolvans, the exo- and endo-beta-1,3-glucanase genes (BGL1/EXG1 and BGL2/ENG2) from S. cerevisiae, the cellobiase and beta-glucosidase genes (BGL1 and BGL2) from E. fibuliger and the beta-xylanase genes (XYN2 and XYN3) from Trichoderma reesei and Aspergillus kawachii in S. cerevisiae. The cellobiohydrolase gene (CBH1) from the white rot fungus Phanerochaeta chrysosporium and the xylanase gene (XYN1) from the bacterium Ruminococcus flavefaciens are currently being prepared for expression in S. cerevisiae. At the same time, our laboratories are also seeking to clone and express the genes encoding beta-xylanase (XYN1), beta-xylosidase (XYL1) and xylose-isomerase (XYS1) from the fungi T. reesei, Aspergillus niger and Candida boidinii. Eventually we will endeavour to combine these amylase, pectinase, cellulase and hemicellulase cassettes onto an artificial minichromosome and introduce it into S. cerevisiae, thereby enabling baker's yeast to utilise these different polysaccharides.

L9 ANSWER 11 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:553380 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 119:153380

TITLE: Gene expressing in **Bacillus licheniformis** using especially .alpha.-amylase promoter variant

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AB Genes of anaerobic and/or thermophilic microorganisms are expressed in **B. licheniformis** from a promoter variant of .alpha.-amylase (I) gene of **B. licheniformis**. Plasmid pSJ1391 contg. fusion gene for

I/CGTase (cyclodextrin glycosyl transferase) expressed from the promoter variant of I gene of **B. licheniformis** was constructed. The plasmid was transformed into an I-producing **B. licheniformis** for integration of the fusion gene by in vivo recombination. **B. subtilis** transformants contg. the fusion gene integrated into the chromosome was similarly prep'd. The recombinant **B. licheniformis** and **B. subtilis** produced CGTase 200-275 and 17-21 arbitrary units, resp.

L9 ANSWER 12 OF 21 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)

ACCESSION NUMBER: 93:38575 SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: KG621

TITLE: STABLE PERIPLASMIC SECRETION INTERMEDIATE IN THE GENERAL SECRETORY PATHWAY OF ESCHERICHIA-COLI

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AB The secretion of the *Klebsiella oxytoca* cell surface lipoprotein **pullulanase** involves translocation across the cytoplasmic and outer membranes of the Gram-negative **bacterial** cell envelope. A **variant** of **pullulanase** was created by fusing the signal peptide-encoding 5' region of the *Escherichia coli* gene for periplasmic MalE protein to the 3' end of the *pula* gene encoding almost the entire mature part of **pullulanase**. When produced in *E.coli* carrying the *male-pula* gene fusion on a high copy number plasmid and the complete set of genes specifically required for **pullulanase** secretion on a second plasmid, the hybrid protein differed from wild-type **pullulanase** as follows: (i) it was not fatty-acylated; (ii) it was apparently processed by LepB signal peptidase rather than by LspA lipoprotein signal peptidase; (iii) it was released into the periplasm and was only slowly transported across the outer membrane, and (iv) it was released directly into the medium rather than via the usual surface-anchored intermediate. The hybrid protein was secreted more rapidly when *male-pula* was expressed from a low copy number plasmid. The two steps in the secretion pathway could be totally uncoupled by expressing first the *male-pula* gene fusion and then the cognate secretion genes. These results show that fatty-acylation of wild-type

Pula is not essential for secretion but may improve its efficiency when large amounts of the protein are produced, that the two steps in secretion can occur quite independently and that the periplasmic intermediate can persist for long periods under certain circumstances.

L9 ANSWER 13 OF 21 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 91:496254 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: GD635  
TITLE: THE PROTEIN-SEQUENCE RESPONSIBLE FOR LIPOPROTEIN MEMBRANE LOCALIZATION IN ESCHERICHIA-COLI EXHIBITS REMARKABLE SPECIFICITY  
AUTHOR: GENNITY J M; INOUYE M (Reprint)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV MED & DENT NEW JERSEY, ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON MED SCH,  
DEPT BIOCHEM, PISCATAWAY, NJ, 08854  
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY, (1991) Vol. 266, No. 25,  
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FILE SEGMENT: LIFE  
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AB Structural information defining an N-terminal sequence required for the

membrane sorting of **bacterial** lipoproteins has been previously garnered through the study of a hybrid outer membrane (OM) lipo-beta-lactamase (LL) (Ghrayeb and Inouye (1984) *J. Biol. Chem.* 259, 463-467). Introduction of an aspartate as the second residue of mature LL (**D2 mutant**) causes an inner membrane (IM) localization of this protein (Yamaguchi, K., Yu, F., and Inouye, M. (1988) *Cell* 53, 423-432). Introduction of as aspartate at the third residue of mature LL (**D3**) causes

a weaker IM sorting signal and when present as the fourth residue (D4), normal OM sorting occurs. A positively charged residue at the second position (K2) has no effect on OM localization. Remarkably, glutamate substitution at either the second (E2) or third (E3) position does not interfere with OM sorting. Sorting of the **mutant** D2 LL can be partially suppressed by introduction of a positively charged histidine (D2H3) or lysine (D2K3) at residue 3 of the mature protein. These results indicate that both the negative charge of the aspartate residue and some structural feature not present in a glutamate residue are required for sorting to the IM. The suppression of IM localization of the D2H3 LL double **mutant** can be eliminated by growing *Escherichia coli* at pH 8.4 to reduce the histidine partial positive charge. This result supports the essentiality of a negative charge in IM localization and indicates that the committed step in lipoprotein sorting is made in a cellular compartment, the periplasm, at equilibrium with the external pH.

L9 ANSWER 14 OF 21 MEDLINE

ACCESSION NUMBER: 91126059 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 91126059 PubMed ID: 1992458  
TITLE: Cloned *Erwinia chrysanthemi* out genes enable *Escherichia coli* to selectively secrete a diverse family of heterologous proteins to its milieu.  
AUTHOR: He S Y; Lindeberg M; Chatterjee A K; Collmer A  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Plant Pathology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853.  
SOURCE: PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, (1991 Feb 1) 88 (3) 1079-83.  
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AB The out genes of the enterobacterial plant pathogen *Erwinia chrysanthemi* are responsible for the efficient extracellular secretion of multiple plant cell wall-degrading enzymes, including four isozymes of pectate lyase, exo-poly-alpha-D-galacturonosidase, pectin methylesterase, and cellulase. Out-**mutants** of *Er. chrysanthemi* are unable to export any of these proteins beyond the periplasm and are severely reduced in virulence. We have cloned out genes from *Er. chrysanthemi* in the stable, low-copy-number cosmid pCPP19 by complementing several transposon-induced mutations. The cloned out genes were clustered in a 12-kilobase chromosomal DNA region, complemented all existing out mutations in *Er. chrysanthemi* EC16, and enabled *Escherichia coli* strains to efficiently secrete the extracellular pectic enzymes produced from cloned *Er. chrysanthemi* genes, while retaining the periplasmic marker protein beta-lactamase. DNA sequencing of a 2.4-kilobase EcoRI fragment within

the out cluster revealed four genes arranged colinearly and sharing substantial similarity with the *Klebsiella pneumoniae* genes pulH, pulI, pulJ, and pulK, which are necessary for pullulanase secretion. However, *K. pneumoniae* cells harboring the cloned *Er. chrysanthemi* pelE gene were unable to secrete

the *Erwinia* pectate lyase. Furthermore, the *Er. chrysanthemi* Out system was unable to secrete an extracellular pectate lyase encoded by a gene from a closely related plant pathogen, *Erwinia carotovora* ssp. *carotovora*. The results suggest that these enterobacteria secrete polysaccharidases by a conserved mechanism whose protein-recognition capacities have diverged.

L9 ANSWER 15 OF 21 ASE COPYRIGHT 2001 ELSEVIER S. B.V.  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 91049794 EMBASE  
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TITLE: Protein secretion in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*: The *xcpA* gene encodes an integral inner membrane protein homologous to *Klebsiella pneumoniae* secretion function protein Pulo.  
AUTHOR: Bally M.; Ball G.; Badere A.; Lazdunski A.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Lab. de Chimie Bacterienne, Centre National, de la Recherche Scientifique, 31, Chemin Joseph Aiguier, 13402 Marseille Cedex 9, France  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article  
FILE SEGMENT: 004 Microbiology  
LANGUAGE: English  
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AB *xcp* mutations have pleiotropic effects on the secretion of proteins in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* PAO. The nucleotide sequence of a 1.2-kb DNA fragment that complements the *xcp-1* mutation has been determined.

Sequence

analysis shows the *xcpA* gene product to be a 31.8-kDa polypeptide, with a highly hydrophobic character. This is consistent with a localization in the cytoplasmic membrane in *P. aeruginosa*, determined after specific expression of the *xcpA* gene under control of the T7.PHI.10 promoter. A very strong homology was found between XcpA and Pulo, a membrane protein required for *pullulanase* secretion in *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. This suggests the existence of a signal sequence-dependent secretion process common to these two unrelated gram-negative bacteria.

L9 ANSWER 16 OF 21 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 91:571512 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: GK112  
TITLE: CONSERVATION OF XCP GENES, INVOLVED IN THE 2-STEP PROTEIN SECRETION PROCESS, IN DIFFERENT PSEUDOMONAS SPECIES AND OTHER GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIA  
AUTHOR: DEGROOT A (Reprint); FILLOUX A; TOMMASSEN J  
CORPORATE SOURCE: STATE UNIV UTRECHT, DEPT MOLEC CELL BIOL, PADUALAAN 8, 3584 CH UTRECHT, NETHERLANDS (Reprint); STATE UNIV UTRECHT, INST MOLEC BIOL & MED BIOTECHNOL, 3584 CH UTRECHT, NETHERLANDS  
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: NETHERLANDS  
SOURCE: MOLECULAR & GENERAL GENETICS, (1991) Vol. 229, No. 2, pp. 278-284.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal  
FILE SEGMENT: LIFE  
LANGUAGE: ENGLISH  
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\*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS\*

AB The two-step protein secretion pathway in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* is dependent on the *xcp* genes. We investigated whether a similar secretion mechanism is present in non-pathogenic *Pseudomonas* spp. and in other gram-negative bacteria. The plant growth stimulating *Pseudomonas* strains *P. putida* WCS358, *P. fluorescens* WCS374 and *Pseudomonas* B10 appeared to secrete proteins into the extracellular medium. Southern hybridization experiments showed the presence of *xcp* genes in these strains and also in other gram-negative bacteria, including *Xanthomonas campestris*. Complementation experiments showed that

the *xcp* gene cluster of *P. aeruginosa* restored protein secretion in an *X. campestris* secretion mutant. The secretion gene cluster of *X. campestris* however, restored secretion capacity in *P. aeruginosa* mutants only to a low degree. Two heterologous proteins were not

secreted by *P. fluorescens* and *P. aeruginosa*. The results suggest the presence of a similar two-step protein secretion mechanism in different gram-negative bacteria, which however, is not always functional for heterologous proteins.

L9 ANSWER 17 OF 21 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 2  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 91285432 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 91285432 PubMed ID: 1676385  
TITLE: Characterisation of a *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* twitching motility gene and evidence for a specialised protein export system widespread in eubacteria.  
AUTHOR: Whitchurch C B; Hobbs M; Livingston S P; Krishnapillai V; Mattick J S  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Centre for Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.  
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AB Type-4 fimbriae (pili) are associated with a phenomenon known as twitching

motility, which appears to be involved with bacterial translocation across solid surfaces. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* mutants which produce fimbriae, but which have lost the twitching motility function, display altered colony morphology and resistance to fimbrial-specific bacteriophage. We have used phenotypic complementation of such mutants to isolate a region of DNA involved in twitching motility. This region was physically mapped to a SpeI fragment around 20 min on the *P. aeruginosa* PAO chromosome, remote from the major fimbrial locus (around 75 min) where the structural subunit-encoding gene (*fimA/pilA*) and ancillary genes required for fimbrial assembly (*pilB, C* and *D*) are found. A gene, *pilT*, within the twitching motility region is predicted to encode a 344-amino acid protein which has strong homology to a variety of other bacterial proteins. These include the *P. aeruginosa* PilB protein, the ComG ORF-1 protein from the *Bacillus subtilis* comG operon (necessary for competence), the PulE protein from the *Klebsiella oxytoca* (formerly *K. pneumoniae*) pulC-O operon (involved in pullulanase export), and the VirB-11 protein from the virB operon (involved in virulence) which is located on the *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* Ti plasmid. We have also identified other sets of homologies between *P. aeruginosa* fimbrial assembly (Pil) proteins and *B. subtilis* Com and *K. oxytoca* Pul proteins, which suggest that these are all related members of a specialised protein export pathway which is widespread in the eubacteria.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 91:5879 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: EN921  
TITLE: PROTEIN SECRETION IN GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIA -  
TRANSPORT ACROSS THE OUTER-MEMBRANE INVOLVES COMMON  
MECHANISMS IN DIFFERENT BACTERIA  
AUTHOR: FILLOUX A (Reprint); BALLY M; BALL G; AKRIM M; TOMMASEN  
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\*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS\*

The xcp genes are required for protein secretion by *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. They are involved in the second step of the process, i.e.

translocation across the outer membrane, after the exoproteins have reached the periplasm in a signal peptide dependent fashion. The nucleotide sequence of a 2.5 kb DNA fragment containing xcp genes showed at least two complete open reading frames, potentially encoding proteins with molecular weights of 41 and 19 kd. Products with these apparent molecular weights were identified after expression of the DNA fragment in vitro and in vivo. Subcloning and complementation experiments showed

that both proteins are required for secretion. The two products are located in

the inner membrane and share highly significant homologies with the P<sub>U</sub>L<sub>M</sub> and P<sub>LM</sub> proteins which are required for the specific secretion of pullulanase in *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. These homologies reveal the existence of a common mechanism for protein secretion in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae*.

L9 ANSWER 19 OF 21 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 3  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 90132554 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 90132554 PubMed ID: 2693596  
TITLE: A new regulatory locus of the maltose regulon in  
**Klebsiella pneumoniae** strain K21  
identified by the study of **pullulanase** secretion  
**mutants.**  
AUTHOR: Kornacker M G; Boyd A; Pugsley A P; Plastow G S  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Leicester Biocentre, University of Leicester, UK.  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY, (1989 Feb) 135 ( Pt 2)  
397-408.  
Journal code: I87; 0375371. ISSN: 0022-1287.  
PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom  
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
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AB This study has shown that **Klebsiella pneumoniae** strain K21 differs from the previously characterized and closely related **K. pneumoniae** strain PAP996 in that expression of the **pullulanase** gene (**pulA**) and other genes of the maltose regulon is partially independent of exogenous inducer (maltose/maltotriose). Mutants of strain K21 which are defective in **pullulanase** synthesis and/or secretion were isolated following Tn10 mutagenesis.

Three

phenotypic classes of mutants were identified. Class I mutants were defective in the surface localization and secretion of pullulanase. Class II mutants did not secrete detectable levels of pullulanase but were able to export pullulanase to the cell surface. Class III mutants also expressed pullulanase and other maltose-regulated genes at markedly lower levels than those found in the parent strain under non-inducing conditions. The single class IV mutant was intermediate between K21 and class I mutants; most of the cell-associated pullulanase was localized at the cell surface while a significant amount was secreted into the medium. Mapping indicated that all but three of the Tn10 insertions were adjacent to, and at either side of, pulA. One class II mutant carried a Tn10

insertion in or close to malT whereas in the remaining class II mutants the insertions were located at least 4 kb upstream of pulA in a region which may define a new regulatory locus of the maltose operon.

L9 ANSWER 20 OF 21 MEDLINE

DUPPLICATE 4

ACCESSION NUMBER: 86223769 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 86223769 PubMed ID: 3519575  
TITLE: Extracellular pullulanase of *Klebsiella pneumoniae* is a lipoprotein.  
AUTHOR: Pugsley A P; Chapon C; Schwartz M  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, (1986 Jun) 166 (3) 1083-8.  
Journal code: HH3; 2985120R. ISSN: 0021-9193.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
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AB Pullulanase is a starch-debranching enzyme produced by the gram-negative bacterium *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. In this organism, the enzyme is first exported to the outer membrane and is subsequently released into the growth medium. Evidence reported here indicates that pullulanase is a lipoprotein. It is apparently synthesized as a precursor with a 19-residue-long signal sequence and modified by the covalent attachment of palmitate to the cysteine residue which becomes the amino terminus after cleavage of the signal sequence. In this respect, pullulanase is similar to some penicillinases produced by gram-positive bacteria which are initially exported to the cell surface and subsequently released into the medium. However, pullulanase and the penicillinases differ in one important aspect, namely, that the extracellular pullulanase still carries the covalently attached fatty acyls, whereas extracellular penicillinases lack the modified amino-terminal cysteine together with a limited number of other residues from the amino terminus.

L9 ANSWER 21 OF 21 MEDLINE

ACCESSION NUMBER: 86033620 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 86033620 PubMed ID: 3902791  
TITLE: Characterization and expression of the structural gene for pullulanase, a maltose-inducible secreted protein of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*.  
AUTHOR: Michaelis S; Chapon C; D'Enfert C; Pugsley A P; Schwartz M  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, (1985 Nov) 164 (2) 633-8.  
Journal code: HH3; 2985120R. ISSN: 0021-9193.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
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AB Some strains of *Klebsiella pneumoniae* secrete pullulanase, a debranching enzyme which produces linear molecules (maltodextrins, amylose) from amylopectin and glycogen. pulA, the structural gene for pullulanase, was introduced into *Escherichia coli*, either on a multi-copy-number plasmid or as a single copy in the chromosome. When in *E. coli*, pulA was controlled by malT, the positive regulatory gene of the maltose regulon. Indeed, pulA expression was undetectable in a malT-negative mutant and constitutive in a malTc strain. Furthermore, the plasmid carrying pulA titrated the MalT protein. When produced in *E. coli*, pullulanase was not localized in the same

way as in *K. pneumoniae*. In the latter case it was first exported to the outer membrane, with which it remained loosely associated,

and was then released into the growth medium. In *E. coli* the enzyme was distributed both in the inner and the outer membranes and was never released into the growth medium.

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L10 ANSWER 1 OF 4 MEDLINE  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 95221318 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95221318 PubMed ID: 7706211  
TITLE: Random mutagenesis of **pullulanase** from  
*Klebsiella aerogenes* for studies of the structure  
and function of the enzyme.  
AUTHOR: Yamashita M; Kinoshita T; Ihara M; Mikawa T; Murooka Y  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Fermentation Technology, Faculty of  
Engineering, Hiroshima University.  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BIOCHEMISTRY, (1994 Dec) 116 (6) 1233-40.  
Journal code: HIF; 0376600. ISSN: 0021-924X.  
PUB. COUNTRY: Japan  
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FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
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AB To study the structure and function of **pullulanase** from  
*Klebsiella aerogenes*, a method involving random mutagenesis of the  
entire gene for **pullulanase** was used. Out of 50,000  
clones screened at high temperature, seven genes for  
mutant proteins were identified by DNA sequencing. The amino acid  
substitutions in the seven mutant proteins were clustered on the  
NH<sub>2</sub>-terminal side of the four conserved regions found in alpha-amylases.  
These mutant **pullulanases** were classified into two  
types: those whose catalytic activity was altered and those whose thermal  
stability was increased. The results presented here and in previous  
reports suggest that **pullulanase** from *K. aerogenes* has similar  
active sites to those of alpha-amylases with the four conserved regions,  
as well as another substrate-binding site closer to the NH<sub>2</sub>-terminus. The  
plate assay method used for isolation of thermostable variants  
may be applicable to the generation of useful variants of other  
enzymes.

L10 ANSWER 2 OF 4 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:123729 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199598138029  
TITLE: The genetic manipulation of the yeast *Saccharomyces*  
*cerevisiae* with the aim of converting polysaccharide-rich  
agricultural crops and industrial waste to single-cell  
protein and fuel ethanol.  
AUTHOR(S): Pretorius, I. S.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Dep. Mikrobiol., Inst. Biotechnol., Univ. van Stellenbosch,  
Stellenbosch 7600 South Africa  
SOURCE: Suid-Afrikaanse Tydskrif vir Natuurwetenskap en  
Tegnologie,  
(1994) Vol. 13, No. 3, pp. 66-80.  
ISSN: 0254-3486.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: General Review  
LANGUAGE: Afrikaans  
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: Afrikaans; English  
AB The world's problem with overpopulation and environmental pollution has  
created an urgent demand for alternative protein and energy sources. One  
way of addressing these burning issues is to produce single-cell protein

(for food and animal feed supplements) and fuel ethanol from polysaccharide-rich agricultural crops and industrial waste by using baker's yeast. Owing to the absence of certain depolymerising enzymes, the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* is unable to utilise the vast reserves of energy sources present in starch, pectin, cellulose and hemicellulose. Enzymes such as amylases, pectinases, cellulases and hemicellulases are required for the release of fermentable sugars from these polysaccharides.

For the complete conversion of starch to glucose one requires a liquefaction enzyme (alpha-amylase), a saccharifying enzyme (glucoamylase)

and a debranching enzyme (pullulanase). Thus far we have cloned, manipulated and expressed the alpha-amylase gene (AMY1) from the Gram-positive bacterium *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens*, the glucoamylase gene (STA2) from *S. cerevisiae* var. *diastaticus* and the pullulanase gene (PULL1) from the Gram-negative bacterium *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in *S. cerevisiae*. To circumvent the expensive pretreatment (a cooking process) of starch in future industrial plants, we have also cloned the genes (RSA1 and RSG1) encoding raw starch-degrading amylases from the yeast *Endomyces fibuliger* and are currently endeavoring to incorporate these genes into the existing amylase

cassette to be expressed in *S. cerevisiae*. The bioconversion of pectin is catalysed by pectinesterases and depolymerases. Some strains of *S. cerevisiae* produce pectinesterase and can convert pectin into pectate. A pectinase cassette comprising yeast expression/secretion systems that contain a pectate lyase gene (PEL5) from the plant pathogen *Erwinia chrysanthemi*, and the polygalacturonase gene (PEH1) from *Erwinia carotovora* was designed and successfully expressed in *S. cerevisiae*. The most important enzymes involved in the degradation and utilisation of cellulose and hemicellulose can be divided into the following groups: endoglucanase (glucanohydrolase), exoglucanase (cellobiohydrolase), cellobiase (beta-glucosidase), beta-xylanase, beta-xylosidase and xylose isomerase. We have cloned, modified and expressed the endo-beta-1,4-glucanase gene (END1) from the rumen bacterium *Butyrivibrio fibrisolvens*, the exo- and endo-beta-1,3-glucanase genes (BGL1/ENG1 and BGL2/ENG2) from *S. cerevisiae*, the cellobiase and beta-1,4-glucosidase genes (BGL1 and BGL2) from *E. fibuliger* and the beta-1,4-xylanase genes (XYN2 and XYN3) from *Trichoderma reesei* and *Aspergillus kawachii* in *S. cerevisiae*. The cellobiohydrolase gene (CBH1) from the white rot fungus *Phanerochaeta chrysosporium* and the xylanase gene (XYN1) from the bacterium *Ruminococcus flavefaciens* are currently being prepared for expression in *S. cerevisiae*. At the same time, our laboratories are also seeking to clone and express the genes encoding beta-xylanase (XYN1), beta-xylosidase (XYL1) and xylose-isomerase (XYS1) from the fungi *T. reesei*, *Aspergillus niger* and *Candida boidinii*. Eventually we will endeavour to combine these amylase, pectinase, cellulase and hemicellulase cassettes onto an artificial minichromosome and introduce it into *S. cerevisiae*, thereby enabling baker's yeast to utilise these different polysaccharides.

L10 ANSWER 3 OF 4 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:34954 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:90065  
TITLE: Genetic engineering of starch-debranching enzymes for improved thermostability and specificity  
INVENTOR(S): Bisgaard-Frantzen, Henrik; Svendsen, Allan  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novo Nordisk A/S, Den.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 116 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
FAMILY ACS. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			DK 1998-868	A 19980702
			WO 1999-DK381	W 19990702

AB The invention relates to a genetically engineered **variant** of a parent starch-debranching enzyme, i.e. a **pullulanase** or an isoamylase, the enzyme **variant** having an improved thermostability at a pH in the range of 4-6 compared to the parent enzyme and/or an increased activity towards amylopectin and/or glycogen compared to the parent enzyme. Methods for producing such starch-debranching enzyme **variants** with improved thermostability and/or altered substrate specificity are provided. Alignment of **pullulanases** of **Bacillus acidopullulyticus** and **Bacillus deramificans**, and of isoamylases of **Rhodothermus marinus** and **Pseudomonas amyloboramosa**, identified specific loop regions and amino acid residues appropriate for substitution with thermostability-conferring residues. The **modified** enzymes should yield improved conversion of starch to one or more sugars.

L10 ANSWER 4 OF 4 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:553380 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 119:153380  
 TITLE: Gene expressing in **Bacillus licheniformis** using especially .alpha.-amylase promoter  
**variant**  
 INVENTOR(S): Joergensen, Steen Troels; Joergensen, Per Linnaa  
 PATENT AS: IGNEE(S): Novo Nordisk A/S, Den.  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 63 pp.  
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
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JP 07503363	T2	19950413	JP 1993-508898	19921113
EP 071154	A1	19950920	EP 1992-923721	19921113
FI: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LI, LU, NL, PT, SE				
FI 9401227	A	19940513	FI 1994-2227	19940513
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			WO 1991-DK344	19911114
			WO 1992-DK337	19921113

AB Genes of anaerobic and/or thermophilic microorganisms are expressed in **B. licheniformis** from a promoter **variant** of .alpha.-amylase (I) gene of **B. licheniformis**. Plasmid pSJ1391 contg. fusion gene for I/CGTase (α-D-glucosidase/glycosyl transferase) expressed from the promoter

variant of I gene of *B. licheniformis* was constructed. The plasmid was transferred into an I-producing *B. licheniformis* for integration of the fusion gene by in vivo recombination. *B. subtilis* transformants contg. the fusion gene integrated into the chromosome was similarly prep'd. The recombinant *B. licheniformis* and *B. subtilis* produced CGTase 200-275 and 17-21 arbitrary units, resp.

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L5 ANSWER 1 OF 16 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:83642 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 393FX  
TITLE: Exchange of Xcp (Gsp) secretion machineries between  
Pseudomonas aeruginosa and Pseudomonas alcaligenes:  
Species specificity unrelated to substrate recognition  
AUTHOR: De Groot A; Koster M; Gerard-Vincent M; Gerritse G;  
Lazdunski A; Tommassen J; Filloux A (Reprint)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: IBMS, Lab Ingn Syst Macromol, CNRS, UPR 9027, 31 Chemin  
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AB Pseudomonas aeruginosa and Pseudomonas alcaligenes are gram-negative bacteria that secrete proteins using the type II or general secretory pathway, which requires at least 12 xcp gene products (XcpA and XcpP to -Z). Despite strong conservation of this secretion pathway, gram-negative bacteria usually cannot secrete exoproteins from other species. Based on results obtained with Erwinia, it has been proposed that the XcpP and/or XcpQ homologs determine this secretion specificity (M. Linderberg, G. P. Salmond, and A. Collmer, *Mol. Microbiol.* 20:175-190, 1996). In the present study, we report that XcpP and XcpQ of *P. alcaligenes* could not substitute for their respective *P. aeruginosa* counterparts. However, these complementation failures could not be correlated to species specific recognition of exoproteins, since these bacteria could secrete exoproteins of each other. Moreover, when *P. alcaligenes* xcpP and xcpQ were expressed simultaneously in a *P. aeruginosa* xcpPQ deletion mutant, complementation was observed, albeit only on agar plates and not in liquid cultures. After growth in liquid culture the heat-stable *P. alcaligenes* XcpQ multimers were not detected, whereas monomers were clearly visible. Together, our results indicate that the assembly of a functional Xcp machinery requires species-specific interactions between XcpP and XcpQ and between XcpP or XcpQ and another, as yet uncharacterized component(s).

L5 ANSWER 2 OF 16 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:39242 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 387KJ  
TITLE: Involvement of the XpsN protein in formation of the  
XpsL-XpsM complex in *Xanthomonas campestris* pv.  
*campestris*

AUTHOR: type II secretion apparatus  
Lee H M; Tyan S W; Leu W M; Chen L Y; Chen D C; Hu N T  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Natl Chung Hsing Univ, Grad Inst Biol Chem, Taichung 40227, Taiwan (Reprint); Natl Chung Hsing Univ, Grad Inst Agr Biotechnol, Taichung 40227, Taiwan; Natl Chung Hsing Univ, Grad Inst Vet Microbiol, Taichung 40227, Taiwan; Natl Chung Hsing Univ, Agr Biotechnol Labs, Taichung 40227, Taiwan; Chung Shan Med & Dent Coll, Grad Inst Biochem, Taichung, Taiwan

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AB The xps gene cluster is required for the second step of type II protein secretion in *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *campestris*. Deletion of the entire gene cluster caused accumulation of secreted proteins in the periplasm. By analyzing protein abundance in the chromosomal mutant strains, we observed mutual dependence for normal steady-state levels between the XpsL and the XpsM proteins. The XpsL protein was undetectable in total lysate prepared from the xpsM mutant strain, and vice versa. Introduction of the wild-type xpsM gene carried on a plasmid into the xpsM mutant strain was sufficient for reappearance of the XpsL protein, and vice versa.

Moreover, both XpsL and XpsM proteins were undetectable in the xpsN mutant strain. They were recovered either by reintroducing the wild-type xpsN gene or by introducing extra copies of wild-type xpsL or xpsM individually. Overproduction of wild-type XpsL and -M proteins simultaneously, but not separately, in the wild-type strain of *X. campestris* pv. *campestris* caused inhibition of secretion. Complementation of the xpsN mutant strain with a plasmid-borne wild-type gene was inhibited by coexpression of XpsL and XpsM. The presence of the xpsN gene on the plasmid along with the xpsL and the xpsM genes caused more severe inhibition in both cases. Furthermore, complementation of the xpsN mutant strain was also inhibited. In both the wild-type strain and a strain with the xps gene cluster deleted (XC17433), carrying pXPS-LM, which encodes all three proteins, each protein coprecipitated with the other two upon immunoprecipitation. Expression of pairwise combinations of the three proteins in XC17433 revealed that the XpsL-XpsM and XpsN pairs still coprecipitated, whereas the XpsL-XpsN pair not precipitated.

L5 AN UEP 1 OF 16 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:185297 SCISEARCH  
THE GENE NUMBER: 288VK  
TITLE: Association of the cytoplasmic membrane protein XpsN with the outer membrane protein XpsD in the type II protein secretion apparatus of *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *campestris*

AUTHOR: Lee H M; Wang K C; Liu Y L; Yew H Y; Chen L Y; Leu W M; Chen D C H; Hu N T (Reprint)

CORPORATE SOURCE: NATL CHUNGSING UNIV, GRAD INST BIOL CHEM, 250 KUO KUANG RD, TAICHUNG 40227, TAIWAN (Reprint); NATL CHUNGSING UNIV, GRAD INST BIOL CHEM, TAICHUNG 40227, TAIWAN; NATL CHUNGSING UNIV, GRAD INST AGR BIOTECHNOL, TAICHUNG 40227, TAIWAN; NATL CHUNGSING UNIV, GRAD INST MOL BIOL, TAICHUNG

COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: TAIWAN  
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal  
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**AB** An *xps* gene cluster composed of 11 open reading frames is required for the type II protein secretion in *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *campestris*. Immediately upstream of the *xpsD* gene, which encodes an outer membrane protein that serves as the secretion channel by forming multimers, there exists an open reading frame (previously designated ORF2) that could encode a protein of 261 amino acid residues. Its N-terminal hydrophobic region is a likely membrane-anchoring sequence. Antibody raised against this protein could detect in the wild-type strain of *X. campestris* pv. *campestris* a protein band with an apparent molecular mass of 36 kDa by Western blotting. Its aberrant slow migration in sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gels might be due to its high proline content. We designed this protein XpsN. By constructing a mutant strain with an in-frame deletion of the chromosomal *xpsN* gene, we demonstrated that it is required for the secretion of extracellular enzyme

by *X. campestris* pv. *campestris*. Subcellular fractionation studies indicated that the XpsN protein was tightly associated with the membrane. Sucrose gradient sedimentation followed by immunoblot analysis revealed that it primarily appeared in the cytoplasmic membrane fractions. Immune precipitation experiments indicated that the XpsN protein was coprecipitated with the XpsD protein. In addition, the XpsN protein was coeluted with the (His)(6)-tagged XpsD protein from the metal affinity chromatography column. All observations suggested that the XpsN protein forms a stable complex with the XpsD protein. In addition, immune precipitation analysis of the XpsN protein with various truncated XpsD protein revealed that the C-terminal region of the XpsD protein between residues 650 and 759 was likely to be involved in complex formation between the two.

L5 A: 16 OF 16 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:577030 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 131:196365  
 TITLE: N-terminal-truncated analogs of bacterial *pullulanases* retaining normal enzymic activity  
 INVENTOR(S): Miller, Brian S.; Shetty, Jayarama K.  
 PATENT ISSUE(S): Genencor International, Inc., USA  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 49 pp.  
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**AB** Pullulanases from *Bacillus* and *Klebsiella* that retain normal 1,6-.alpha.-glycosidase activity despite having truncations of up to 300 amino acids from the N-terminal domain, optionally with further amino acid substitutions, and that may be useful in the starch industry are described. The present invention provides methods for producing the modified pullulanase, enzymic compns. comprising the modified pullulanase, and methods for the saccharification of starch comprising the use of the enzymic compns. Expression of the *Bacillus deramificans* **pullulanase** gene in B. licheniformis hosts lacking the Carlsberg subtilisin and endopeptidase Glu-C resulted in the appearance of a series of N-terminal deletions of the **pullulanase**. Saccharification of starch with mixts. of glucoamylase (20%) and the **pullulanases** (80%) led to the saccharification of the starch without the formation of disaccharides.

L5 ANSWER 5 OF 16 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:48790 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:106943  
 TITLE: Variants of Humicola family 6  
 endo-1,4-.beta.-glucanases CelA and CelB and their use  
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 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novo Nordisk A/S, Den.  
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AU 097908	A1	19990125	AU 1998-79088	19980702
EP 002061	A1	20000524	EP 1998-929249	19980702
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**AB** Cleaning compns. are provided comprising one or more enzymes having cellulolytic activity wherein at least 25% of the total wt. of cellulolytic active protein derives from the presence of a Humicola

endo-1,4-.beta.-glucanase or Humicola-like cellulase of the glycosyl hydrolase family 6. Thus, gene encoding two endo- $\beta$ -1,4-glucanases (cellulases CelA and CelB) were cloned from *Humicola insolens*. The 3-dimensional structure of the catalytic core domain of the 2 cellulases were solved by x-ray crystallog. methods. Amino acid sequence alignments with other known cellulases and mol. modeling allowed the identification of residues in the binding cleft of the catalytic core domain, its encompassing loop regions, and on the surface of the 3-dimensional structure. Mutagenesis allowed trimming of the binding cleft loops to increase activity. The CelB enzyme was also stabilized against denaturation by anionic tensides by mutation/deletion of surface exposed residues towards more neg. charged residue(s). The achieved improved performance of the enzyme in color clarification, a linker and cellulose-binding domain are attached to the catalytic core domain to achieve a hybrid enzyme. Addnl. variants were constructed. A numl. variants were constructed (e.g. in positions 20, 56, 94, 95, 103, 182, 183 and 318) with altered pH activity, catalytic properties, and improved detergent compatibility.

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(4) Novo Industri AS; WO 8909259 A1 1989 CAPLUS  
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(6) Novo Nordisk AS; WO 9524471 A1 1995 CAPLUS  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:966278 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 264QQ  
TITLE: Testing the '+2 rule' for lipoprotein sorting in the *Escherichia coli* cell envelope with a new genetic selection  
AUTHOR: Seydel A; Gounon P; Pugsley A P (Reprint)  
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\*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS\*

AB We report a novel strategy for selecting mutations that mislocalize lipoproteins within the *Escherichia coli* cell envelope and describe the mutants obtained. A strain carrying a deletion of the chromosomal *malE* gene, coding for the periplasmic maltose-binding protein (preMalE), cannot use maltose unless a wild-type copy of *malE* is present in trans. Placement of the natural signal peptide of preMalE by the signal peptidase and the first four amino acids of a cytoplasmic membrane-anchored lipoE in resulted in N-terminal fatty acylation of MalE (lipoMalE) and a change to the periplasmic face of the cytoplasmic membrane, where it could still function. When the aspartate at position +2 of this protein was replaced by a serine, lipoMalE was sorted to the outer membrane,

where it could not function. Chemical mutagenesis followed by selection for

maltose-using mutants resulted in the identification of two classes of mutations. The single class I mutant carried a plasmid-borne mutation that replaced the serine at position +2 by phenylalanine. Systematic substitutions of the amino acid at position +2 revealed that, besides phenylalanine, tryptophan, tyrosine, glycine and proline could all replace classical cytoplasmic membrane lipoprotein sorting signal (aspartate +2). Analysis of known and putative lipoproteins

encoded by the E. coli K-12 genome indicated that these amino acids are rarely found at position +2. In the class II mutants, a chromosomal mutation caused small and variable amounts of lipoMalE to remain associated with the cytoplasmic membrane. Similar amounts of another, endogenous outer membrane lipoprotein, NlpD, were also present in the cytoplasmic membrane in these mutants, indicating a minor, general effect in the sorting of outer membrane lipoproteins. Four representative class II mutants analysed were shown not to carry mutation in the *lolA* or *lolB* genes, known to be involved in the sorting of lipoproteins to the outer membrane.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:794818 CAPLUS

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TITLE: **Pullulanase mutants** of *Bacillus* strain KSM-AP1378 for preparation of detergents and starch-saccharifying agents

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AB Prepn. of mutants of **pullulanase** of *Bacillus* strain KSM-AP1378 by deletion or substitution mutation at 443-Met and/or 547-Ala to improved their resistance to oxidizing agents; and use of the mutants for the prepn. of detergents and starch-saccharifying agents are described. The **pullulanase** is derived from the domain 1023-Met.apprx.1820-Asp of the 1938-amino-acid amylopullulanase of *Bacillus* strain KSM-AP1378. Prepn. of single mutants M443A, M443E, M443I, M443L, M443N, M443R, M443S, and M443V; prepn. of double mutants such as M443L/A557C; their stability in the presence of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>; and the washing ability of a detergent compon. contg. them were also shown. Also claimed are the detergent and saccharifying agents contg. the **pullulanase** mutants and other enzymes such as .alpha.-amylase, glucoamylase, etc.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:14683 SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE AUTHOR: YL836

TITLE: The XcpR protein of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* dimerizes via its N-terminus

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AB Extracellular protein secretion by the main terminal branch of the general secretory pathway in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* requires a secretion machinery comprising the products of at least 12 genes. One of the components of this machinery, the XcpR protein, belongs to a large family of related proteins distinguished by the presence of a highly conserved nucleotide binding domain (Walker box A). The XcpR protein is essential for the process of extracellular secretion and amino acid substitutions within the Walker A sequence result in inactive XcpR. The same mutations exert a dominant negative effect on protein secretion when expressed in wild-type bacteria. Transdominance of XcpR **mutants** suggests that this protein is involved in interactions with other components of the secretion machinery or that it functions as a multimer. In this study, the amino-terminal portion of the cl repressor protein of phage lambda was used as a reporter of dimerization in *Escherichia coli* following fusion to full-length as well as a truncated form of XcpR. The cl-XcpR hybrid proteins were able to dimerize, as demonstrated by the immunity of bacteria expressing them to killing by lambda phage. The full-length XcpR as well as several **deletion mutants** of XcpR were able to disrupt the dimerization of the chimeric cl-XcpR protein. The disruption of cl-XcpR dimers using the **deletion mutants** of XcpR, combined with the analysis of their dominant negative effects on protein secretion, was used to map the minimal dimerization domain of XcpR, which is located within an 85 amino acid region in its N-terminal domain. Taken together, the data presented in this paper suggest that the XcpR protein dimerizes via its N-terminus and that this dimerization is essential for extracellular protein secretion.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 96:104621 SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: TT488

TITLE: XPSD, AN OUTER-MEMBRANE PROTEIN REQUIRED FOR PROTEIN SECRETION BY XANTHOMONAS-CAMPESTRIS PV CAMPESTRIS, FORMS

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\*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS\*

AB XpsD is an outer membrane lipoprotein, required for the secretion of extracellular enzymes by *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *campestris*. Our previous studies indicated that when the xpsD gene was interrupted by transposon Tn5, extracellular enzymes were accumulated in the periplasm (Hu, N.-., Hung, M.-N., Chiou, S.-J., Tang, F., Chiang, D.-C., Huang, H.-Y. and Wu, C.-Y. (1992) J. Bacteriol. 174, 2679-2687). In this study,

we constructed a series of substitutions and deletion mutant xpsD genes to investigate the roles of NH<sub>2</sub>- and COOH-terminal halves of XpsD in protein secretory function. Among these secretory defective xpsD mutations, one group (encoded by pCD105, pYL4, pKD6, and pKD2) caused secretion interference when co-expressed with wild

type xpsD, but the other (encoded by pMH7, pKDPS, and pKDT) did not.

Cross-linking studies and gel filtration chromatography analysis indicated

that the wild type XpsD protein forms a multimer in its native state.

Similar gel filtration analysis of xpsD mutants revealed positive correlations between multimer formation and secretion interfering

properties exerted by the mutant XpsD proteins in the parental strain XC1701. Those mutant XpsD proteins (encoded by pCD105, pYL4, pKD6, and pKD2) that caused secretion interference formed multimers

that are similar to the wild type XpsD multimers and those (encoded by pMH7, pKDPS, and pKDT) that did not form smaller ones. Furthermore, gel filtration and anion exchange chromatography analyses indicated that the wild type XpsD protein co-fractionated with XpsD(Delta 29-428) or XpsD(Delta 448-650) protein but not with XpsD(Delta 74-303) or XpsD(Delta 553-759) protein. We propose that the mutant XpsD(Delta 29-428) protein caused secretion interference primarily by forming mixed nonfunctional multimers with the wild type XpsD protein in

XC1701(pCD105), whereas the mutant XpsD(Delta 74-303) did so by competing for unknown factor(s) in XC1701(pYL4).

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:372926 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 122:153390

TITLE: Bacillus xylanase and gene, expression vectors for the

xylanase and other proteins, expression hosts therefor, and use of xylanase in pulp bleaching  
INVENTOR(S): De, Buyl Eric; Lahaya, Andree; Ledoux, Pierre; Amory, Antoine; Detroz, Rene; Andre, Christophe; Vetter, Roman

PATENT ASSIGNMENT(S): Solvay et Cie., Belg.

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GB 22799	A1	19950118	GB 1993-14780	19930715
GB 22799	B2	19980218		
AU 9467..	A1	19950127	AU 1994-67432	19940713
AU 6878	B2	19980305		
CA 2128..	AA	19950116	CA 1994-2128050	19940714
NO 9402..	A	19950116	NO 1994-2652	19940714
FI 9403..	A	19950116	FI 1994-3389	19940715
JP 0706..	A2	19950314	JP 1994-164143	19940715
BR 94028	A	19950613	BR 1994-2834	19940715
US 61803	B1	20010130	US 1994-275526	19940715
PRIORITY APPN. INFO.:		GB 1993-14780	A	19930715
AB A purified xylanase derived from B. pumilus PRL B12 is disclosed. This xylanase is efficient for use in the biobleaching of wood pulp, permitting a strong edn. in the quantity of chlorine used and AOX compds. produced				

in classical and ECF wood pulp bleaching sequences as well as the quantity of ozone used in TCF sequences. The gene coding for the xylanase was isolated and purified and used to construct an expression vector therefor.

A recombinant host strain of *B. licheniformis* is also disclosed which is efficient for expressing heterologous enzymes, including the xylanase when

transformed by the expression vector. The pH and temp. optima and pI of the xylanase were detd. An alk. protease deletion mutant of *B. licheniformis* was prep'd. and used for expression of the xylanase gene as well as for a no. of other enzyme genes.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 94:450031 SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: NW965

TITLE: GENE TARGETING IN A KLEBSIELLA SP BY FUSARIC ACID SELECTION AND THE USE OF TEMPERATURE-SENSITIVE REPLICON

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AB Two previously described methods for gene targeting (replacement) in *Escherichia coli* were applied to the disruption of the *maoCA* operon in *Klebsiella aerogenes*. These techniques involve plasmid-chromosomal integration, resolution of the integrated intermediate and segregation

(i) screened using fusaric acid for the counter selection of plasmid replicons carrying the gene for tetracycline resistance, or (ii) by using a temperature sensitive replicon. Both methods were found to be effective to create the desired chromosomal mutants in a *Klebsiella* strain after some modifications of the original experimental protocols, and may serve as tools for gene targeting studies in *Klebsiella* and related species.

L5 ANSWER 12 OF 16 MEDLINE

ACCESSION NUMBER: 93346376 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 93346376 PubMed ID: 8344920  
TITLE: Sequencing of the amylopullulanase (*apu*) gene of *Thermoanaerobacter ethanolicus* 39E, and identification of the active site by site-directed mutagenesis.

AUTHOR: Mathupala S P; Lowe S E; Podkovyrov S M; Zeikus J G  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biochemistry, Michigan State University, East

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SOURCE: JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY, (1993 Aug 5) 268 (22) 16332-44.

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AB The complete nucleotide sequence of the gene encoding the dual active amylopullulanase of *Thermoanaerobacter ethanolicus* 39E (formerly *Clostridium thermohydrosulfuricum*) was determined. The structural gene (*apu*) contained a single open reading frame 4443 base pairs in length, corresponding to 1481 amino acids, with an estimated molecular weight of 162,780. Analysis of the deduced sequence of *apu* with sequences of alpha-amylases and alpha-1,6 debranching enzymes enabled the identification of four conserved regions putatively involved in substrate binding and in catalysis. The conserved regions were localized within a 2.9-kilobase pair gene fragment, which encoded a M(r) 100,000 protein.

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maintained the dual activities and thermostability of the native enzyme. The catalytic residues of amylopullulanase were tentatively identified by using hydrophobic cluster analysis for comparison of amino acid sequences of amylopullulanase and other amylolytic enzymes. Asp597, Glu626, and Asp703 were individually modified to their respective amide form, or the alternate acid form, and in all cases both alpha-amylase and pullulanase activities were lost, suggesting the possible involvement of 3 residues in a catalytic triad, and the presence of a putative single catalytic site within the enzyme. These findings substantiate amylopullulanase as a new type of amylosaccharidase.

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ACCESSION N<sup>o</sup> R: 95020627 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT N<sup>o</sup> : 95020627 PubMed ID: 7934912  
TITLE: The role of the lipoprotein sorting signal (aspartate +2)  
in **pullulanase** secretion.  
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Pasteur, Paris, France.  
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AB The analyses of hybrid proteins and of deletion and insertion mutations reveal that the only amino acid at the amino-proximal end of the

cell surface lipoprotein **pullulanase** that is specifically required for its extracellular secretion is an aspartate at position +2, immediately after the fatty acylated amino-terminal cysteine. To see whether the requirement for this amino acid is related to its proposed role as a cytoplasmic membrane lipoprotein sorting signal, we used

sucrose gradient analysis to determine the subcellular location of the variants (with or without the aspartate that accumulated in cells lacking the **pullulanase** secretion genes. A non-secretable **pullulanase** with a serine at position +2 cofractionated mainly with peak of outer membrane porin. In contrast, most (55%) of a variant with an aspartate at position +2 cofractionated with slightly lighter fractions that contained small amounts of both outer membrane porin and the cytoplasmic membrane NADH oxidase. Only 5% of this **pullulanase** variant cofractionated with the major NADH oxidase peak, while the rest (c. 40%) remained at the bottom of the gradient in fractions totally devoid of

porin NADH oxidase. When analysed by sedimentation through sucrose gradient, however, a large proportion of this variant was recovered from fractions near the top of the gradient that also contained NADH oxidase peak. When this peak fraction was applied to a gradient the **pullulanase** activity remained at the bottom while the NADH oxidase floated to the top. (ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 250 W)

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ACCESSION #: ER: 93:162347 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUS: NICLE: KQ909  
TITLE: MUTAGENESIS OF CELLULASE EGZ FOR STUDYING THE GENERAL PROTEIN SECRETORY PATHWAY IN ERWINIA-CHRYSANTHEMI  
AUTHOR: PY B; CHIPPAUX M; BARRAS F (Reprint)  
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ABSTRACT: Evidently, cellular secretion of endoglucanase Z (EGZ) from *Erwinia chrysanthemi* is mediated by the so-called Out general secretion pathway presumably, involves recognition of EGZ-carried structural information by one or more of the Out proteins. Investigating the relationships between structure and secretability of EGZ was the purpose of the present work. EGZ is made of two independent domains, located at the C-proximal sides, separated by a Ser/Thr-rich region, which are responsible for catalysis and cellulose-binding, respectively. The role of a secretion region ('targeting signal') was investigated by the secretability of modified EGZ derivatives. These modifications ranged from deletion or peptide insertion and were designed by domain organization cited above as a guide. Catalytic and/or cellulose-binding tests showed that all proteins exhibited at least a functional EGZ domain while immunoblot analyses confirmed that neither

the inactivation nor the deletions led to grossly misfolded proteins. In contrast, all of the proteins lost their secretability in *E. chrysanthemi*. This suggested that at least two secretion motifs existed, one within each functional domain. The role of the Ser/Thr-rich linker region was subsequently tested. Accordingly, two proteins containing a linker region whose length was increased by the addition of

8 additional residues and one protein lacking the linker region were constructed. All three exhibited endoglucanase activity and cellulose-binding confirming the independence of the domains within the context of carbohydrate interaction. In contrast, none was secreted by *E. chrysanthemi*. Collectively, our results with EGZ (i) suggest the presence of multiple secretion-related sites either acting sequentially (ii) a single three-dimensional secretion signal, (iii) show that secretability is not determined by either one of the two functional domains, and (iii) reveal that the linker region plays a role in secretion. We propose that all EGZ derivatives were impaired in the final step, the nature of which is discussed.

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ACCESSION #: ER: 92:241937 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUS: NICLE: HM899  
TITLE: CLONING AND CHARACTERIZATION OF A GENE REQUIRED FOR THE SECRETION OF EXTRACELLULAR ENZYMES ACROSS THE OUTER-MEMBRANE BY XANTHOMONAS-CAMPESTRIS PV CAMPESTRIS  
AUTHOR: HU N T (Reprint); HUNG M N; CHIOW S J; TANG F; CHIANG D C;

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 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH  
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 \*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS\*  
 ABSTRACT: Pathogenic mutants of *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. campestris, generated from transposon mutagenesis, accumulated extracellular polygalacturonate lyase, alpha-amylase, and endoglucanase in the plasmid. The transposon Tn5 was introduced by a mobilizable, self-replicating plasmid, pSUP2021 or pEYDG1. Genomic banks of wild-type *X. campestris* pv. campestris, constructed on the broad-host-range, mobilizable cosmid pLAFR1 or pLAFR3, were conjugated with one of the mutants, designated XC1708. Recombinant plasmids isolated by their ability to complement XC1708 can be classified into two categories. One, represented by pLASC3, can complement some mutants, whereas the other, represented by a single plasmid, pLAHH2, can complement all of the mutants. Restriction mapping showed that the two recombinant plasmids shared an EcoRI fragment of 8.9 kb. Results from sequencing, deletion mapping, and mini-Mu insertional mutation analysis of the 8.9-kb EcoRI fragment suggested that a 4.2-kb fragment was sufficient to complement the mutant XC1708. Sequence analysis of the 4.2-kb fragment revealed three consecutive open reading frames ORF1, ORF2, and ORF3. Hybridization experiments showed that Tn5 genome of XC1708 and other mutants complemented by pLASC3 resided in ORF3, which could code for a protein of 83.5 kDa. A signal peptide II processing site was identified at the N terminus of the predicted amino acid sequence. Sequence homology of 51% was observed between the amino acid sequences predicted from ORF3 and the pulD gene of *Escherichia coli* species.  
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 TITLE: ARTICLE: HV865  
 THE AEROMONAS-HYDROPHILA EXEE GENE, REQUIRED BOTH FOR PROTEIN SECRETION AND NORMAL OUTER-MEMBRANE BIOGENESIS,  
 IS AUTHOP: A MEMBER OF A GENERAL SECRETION PATHWAY  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: JIANG B; HOWARD S P (Reprint)  
 NATL UNIV NEWFOUNDLAND, ST JOHNS A1B 3V6, NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA  
 COUNTRY: CANADA  
 SOURCE: MOLECULAR MICROBIOLOGY, (MAY 1992) Vol. 6, No. 10, pp. 1351-1361.  
 ISSN: 0950-382X.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal  
 FILE SEGMENT: LIFE  
 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH  
 REFERENCE COUNT: 47  
 \*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS\*  
 ABSTRACT: Aeromonas hydrophila Tn5-751 insertion mutant L1.97 is unable to secrete extracellular proteins, and is fragile because of the assembly of its outer membrane. A KpnI 4.1 kb fragment, which contains this mutant when supplied with an exogenous promoter, was isolated and sequenced. It contains two complete genes, plus fragments of two others and may form part of an operon.  
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388-.. due M(r) 381 proteins, respectively. The genes were expressed  
in .. and their initiation codons verified by deletion  
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the .. gene fully complemented the mutation, indicating that its  
func .. is required both for extracellular secretion and outer membrane  
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been .. been involved in extracellular secretion, suggesting that an  
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tra.. action may be part of the physiology of many Gram-negative  
bac..

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L5 ANSWER 1 OF 2 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS DUPLICATE 1  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:702381 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 123:142344  
TITLE: Safety evaluation of **pullulanase** enzyme preparation derived from *Bacillus licheniformis* containing the **pullulanase** gene from *Bacillus deramificans*  
AUTHOR(S): Modderman, John P.; Foley, Holly H.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Keller and Heckman, Washington, DC, 20001, USA  
SOURCE: Regul. Toxicol. Pharmacol. (1995), 21(3), 375-81  
CODEN: RTOPDW; ISSN: 0273-2300  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB **Pullulanase** enzyme is an amylopectin debranching enzyme used in starch hydrolysis. This article describes studies conducted to investigate the safety of a **pullulanase** enzyme prep. produced by a strain of *Bacillus licheniformis* that has been transformed by introduction of genetic material from another *Bacillus* species, *B. deramificans*. A 4-wk dietary toxicity study in rats was conducted in which test animals received **pullulanase** in the feed at concns. of 0.2, 1.0, and 5.0%. No adverse treatment-related effects were obsd. Lack of genetic toxicity potential was demonstrated by the results of a bacterial mutation assay in *Salmonella typhimurium* strains TA98, TA100, TA1535, TA1537, and TA1538, in an in vitro histidine forward mutation study in mouse lymphoma cells, and in in vivo mouse bone marrow chromosome aberration and micronucleus assays. The enzyme prep. also has been shown to be a nonirritant in eye and primary dermal irritation tests in rabbits and is nontoxic by inhalation exposure. Finally, the genetically altered *B. licheniformis* has been demonstrated to be nonpathogenic upon single i.p. injection to rats of both live and killed cells at doses up to 10<sup>11</sup> cells/kg. The results of these studies demonstrate that the enzyme prep. may be considered safe when employed in starch processing.

L5 ANSWER 2 OF 2 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1994:624994 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 121:224994  
TITLE: A novel **pullulanase** that is thermostable under acid conditions and cloning and expression of the gene encoding it  
INVENTOR(S): DeWeer, Philippe; Amory, Antoine  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Solvay et Cie., Belg.  
SOURCE: Eur. Pat. Appl., 61 pp.  
CODEN: EPXXDW  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: French  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
EP 605040	A1	19940706	EP 1993-203593	19931220
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BE 1006483	A3	19940913	BE 1992-1156	19921228
BE 1007313		19950516	BE 1993-744	19930715
BE 1007723	A6	19951010	BE 1993-1278	19931119
AT 183236	E	19990815	AT 1993-203593	19931220
ES 2137222	T3	19991216	ES 1993-203593	19931220
FI 9305900	A	19940629	FI 1993-5900	19931228
CN 1090325	A	19940803	CN 1993-121736	19931228
CN 1061089	B	20010124		
JP 06217770	A2	19940809	JP 1993-337202	19931228
CA 2112028	AA	19940629	CA 1993-2112028	19931229
AU 9352759	A1	19940707	AU 1993-52759	19931230
AU 686574	B2	19980212		
US 5721127	A	19980224	US 1995-474140	19950607
US 5721128	A	19980224	US 1995-477630	19950607
US 5731174	A	19980324	US 1995-472293	19950607
US 5736375	A	19980407	US 1995-474545	19950607
US 6074854	A	20000613	US 1997-996733	19971223
AU 9864831	A1	19980730	AU 1998-64831	19980511

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BE 1992-1156	A	19921228
BE 1993-744	A	19930715
BE 1993-1278	A	19931119
US 1993-174893	B1	19931228
US 1995-472293	A1	19950607

AB A novel **pullulanase** that is heat-stable at acid pHs is obtained from *Bacillus* and the gene encoding it is cloned and expressed for manuf. of the enzyme for processing polysaccharides. The enzyme has a temp. optimum of 55-65.degree. at pH 4.3 and retains >80% of its activity in

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pH range 3.8-4.9. An isolate of *Bacillus deramificans* capable of hydrolyzing a pullulan deriv. at 37.degree.; the strain (*B. deramificans* T89.117D) was not itself heat-tolerant. The enzyme accumulated in the medium and was purified 10-fold (32% yield) from cultures grown on yeast ext./potato starch medium by centrifugation, heat treatment, acetone pptn., and ion-exchange chromatog. The gene was cloned

by expression from a Sau3A partial bank in pBR322. The cloned gene was expressed in a *Bacillus licheniformis* host from which the alk. proteinase gene had been deleted using either an autonomously replicating or

L8 ANSWER 14 OF 18 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1988:469474 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 109:69474  
TITLE: Functional analysis of the starch debranching enzyme  
**pullulanase**  
AUTHOR(S): McPherson, Michael J.; Charalambous, Bambo M.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Biotechnol. Unit, Univ. Leeds, Leeds, LS2 9JT, UK  
SOURCE: Biochem. Soc. Trans. (1988), 16(5), 723-4  
CODEN: BCSTB5; ISSN: 0300-5127  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB The predicted amino acid sequences of **pullulanases** from *Klebsiella pneumoniae* strains W70 and FG9 are very similar and provide a basis for the design of expts. to exam. **pullulanase** function. Proteolytic digestion studies and computer-based sequence anal. are being used to define a functional core **pullulanase**. Computer searches identified homol., as expected, between the N-terminal region of **pullulanase** and a range of collagens and collagen-like proteins. No extensive homologies were detected with any protein sequences in the database, although a no. of significant localized identities with .alpha.-amylases were revealed. A series of 5 amylase matrixes, corresponding to 5 regions of sequence conservation within microbial .alpha.-amylases, were constructed from aligned sequence data to search specific protein sequences with these 5 amylase matrixes; the expected pattern of conserved regions was clearly identified within all the .alpha.-amylase and cyclodextrin glucantransferase sequences tested. The same pattern of conserved sequences was found within the C-terminal half of **pullulanase**. Structural evidence, from Taka-amylase suggested certain conserved regions include residues (such as glutamate-230 and aspartate-297) implicated in substrate binding and catalysis. **Pullulanase** and .alpha.-amylases may thus have functional and mechanistic similarity. An active variant resulting from .gamma.-chymotrypsin treatment was also characterized. Protein sequencing data showed that 170 residues were removed from the N-terminus and preliminary data using starch as substrate suggested that the debranching activity of this **variant** is .aprx.30% higher than that of the native enzyme.

L8 ANSWER 12 OF 18 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS DUPLICATE 7  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1989:611737 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 111:211737  
TITLE: Biosynthesis and secretion of **pullulanase**, a  
lipoprotein from **Klebsiella**  
**aerogenes**  
AUTHOR(S): Murooka, Yoshikatsu; Ikeda, Ryuji  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Fac. Eng., Hiroshima Univ., Higashi-Hiroshima, 724,  
Japan  
SOURCE: J. Biol. Chem. (1989), 264(29), 17524-31  
CODEN: JBCHA3; ISSN: 0021-9258  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB A **mutant pullulanase** gene was constructed, by  
site-directed mutagenesis, in which the cysteine residue in a  
pentapeptide  
sequence, Leu16-Leu-Ser-Gly-Cys20, within the NH<sub>2</sub>-terminal region of  
**pullulanase** from *K. aerogenes* is replaced by serine (Ser20). The  
modification, processing, and subcellular localization of the  
**mutant pullulanase** were studied. Labeling studies with  
[<sup>3</sup>H]palmitate and immunopptn. with mouse antiserum raised against  
**pullulanase** showed that the wild form of both the extracellular  
and intracellular **pullulanases** contained lipids, whereas the  
**mutant enzyme** was not modified with lipids. Only the  
Cys20 was modified with glyceryl lipids. The bulk of  
**mutant pullulanase** was located in the periplasm, but a  
portion of the unmodified, **mutant pullulanase** was  
secreted into the medium. **Mutant pullulanases** from  
the extracellular and the periplasm were purified and their NH<sub>2</sub>-terminal  
sequences were detd. Both the **mutant pullulanases**  
were cleaved between residues of Ser13 and Leu14 which is 6 amino acid  
residues upstream of the lipid modified **pullulanase**  
cleavage site. This new cleavage was resistant to globomycin, an  
inhibitor of the prolipoprotein signal peptidase of *Escherichia coli*.  
The  
pentapeptide sequence apparently plays an important role in maturation  
and  
translocation of **pullulanase** in *K. aerogenes*. However, the  
modification of **pullulanase** with lipids seems to be not  
essential for export of the enzyme across the outer membrane.

L8 ANSWER 6 OF 18 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS DUPLICATE 2  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:311056 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 122:100484  
TITLE: Random mutagenesis of **pullulanase** from  
**Klebsiella aerogenes** for studies of  
the structure and function of the enzyme  
AUTHOR(S): Yamashita, Mitsuo; Kinoshita, Takuya; Ihara, Michiko;  
Mikawa, Tomomi; Murooka, Yoshikatsu  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Faculty Engineering, Hiroshima University, Hiroshima,  
724, Japan  
SOURCE: J. Biochem. (Tokyo) (1994), 116(6), 1233-40  
CODEN: JOBIAO; ISSN: 0021-924X  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB To study the structure and function of **pullulanase** from *K. aerogenes*, a method involving random mutagenesis of the entire gene for **pullulanase** was used. Out of 50,000 clones screened at high temp., 7 genes for **mutant** proteins were identified by DNA sequencing. The amino acid substitutions in the 7 **mutant** proteins were clustered on the N-terminal side of the 4 conserved regions found in .alpha.-amylases. These **mutant pullulanases** were classified into 2 types: those whose catalytic activity was altered and those whose thermal stability was increased. The results presented here and in previous reports suggest that **pullulanase** from *K. aerogenes* has similar active sites to those of .alpha.-amylases with the  
4 conserved regions, as well as another substrate-binding site closer to the N-terminus. The plate method used for isolation of thermostable **variants** may be applicable to the generation of useful **variants** of other enzymes.

L8 ANSWER 3 OF 18 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS DUPLICATE 1  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:738051 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 128:72332  
TITLE: Amino acid residues specific for the catalytic action towards .alpha.-1,6-glucosidic linkages in *Klebsiella pullulanase*  
AUTHOR(S): Yamashita, Mitsuo; Matsumoto, Dai; Murooka,  
Yoshikatsu  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biotechnology, Graduate School of Engineering, Osaka University, Osaka, 565, Japan  
SOURCE: J. Ferment. Bioeng. (1997), 84(4), 283-290  
CODEN: JFBIEX; ISSN: 0922-338X  
PUBLISHER: Society for Fermentation and Bioengineering, Japan  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB Mutations were introduced at residues His607, Asp677, His682, and His833 in *Klebsiella aerogenes* in order to probe the role of these amino acid residues, which are located in the four conserved regions of the .alpha.-amylase family, in the action of the enzyme towards .alpha.-1,6-glucosidic linkages. For the mutations, His was replaced by Asn and Ala, and Asp by Asn and Ser. Amino acid substitutions for His607, Asp677, or His833 resulted in complete loss of enzyme activity. In contrast, the mutations at His682 still retained their activities. The binding affinity of these variants for .alpha.- or .beta.-cyclodextrin (CD), which are competitive inhibitors for *pullulanase*, was measured using an .alpha.-CD Sepharose column. The mutations at His833 did not change the binding affinity for .alpha.-CD, whereas the mutations at His607 or Asp677 resulted in these two variants losing their binding ability towards pullulan. These results suggest that in *Klebsiella pullulanase*, His607 and Asp677 participate in substrate binding and His833 is involved in catalysis, but His682 may not be in the active site. We also found new amino acid consensus sequences specific for starch debranching enzymes in two oligo-1,6-glucosidases, several *pullulanases*, and an isoamylase. Two amino acid residues in the predicted consensus region of *Klebsiella pullulanase*, Tyr559 and Tyr564, were replaced by Ala or Phe. The Tyr559 variants resulted in complete loss of *pullulanase* activity without seriously affecting the binding affinities for .alpha.-CD and pullulan. The mutations at Tyr564 did not completely inactivate the enzymes but dramatically decreased the activity. Thus, the region in *Klebsiella pullulanase* that includes Tyr559-Tyr564 probably participates in catalysis specific towards .alpha.-1,6-glucosidic linkages in starch debranching enzymes.

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L4 ANSWER 1 OF 14 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:526181 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 135:118784  
TITLE: **Bacillus deramificans pullulanase**  
variants and methods for preparing such variants with  
predetermined properties  
INVENTOR(S): Svendsen, Allan; Andersen, Carsten; Vedel Borchert,  
Torben  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novozymes A/S, Den.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 195 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

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WO 2001051620	A2	20010719	WO 2001-DK20	20010112
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			DK 2000-45	A 20000112
			US 2000-514599	A 20000228

AB The present invention relates to a method for producing a variant of a parent **pullulanase**, the variant having at least one altered property as compared to the parent **pullulanase**. The altered properties include stability (e.g., thermostability), pH dependent activity, substrate cleavage pattern, specific activity of cleavage, substrate specificity, such as higher activity of isoamylase activity and /or substrate binding. Thirty-one substitution or deletion mutants of **Bacillus deramificans pullulanase** were made by PCR and tested after transformation and fermn. in **Bacillus subtilis**. The invention also relates to **pullulanase** variants and to the use of **pullulanase** variants of the invention for use in particular starch conversion processes.

L4 ANSWER 2 OF 14 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:68546 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:104698  
TITLE: Glucoamylase variants with improved specific activity  
and/or thermostability  
INVENTOR(S): Nielsen, Bjarne Ronfeldt; Svendsen, Allan; Pedersen,  
Henrik; Vind, Jesper; Hendriksen, Hanne Vang;  
Frandsen, Torben Peter  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novo Nordisk A/S, Den.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 117 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

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WO 20000004136	A1	20000127	WO 1999-DK392	19990709
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AU 9947699	A1	20000207	AU 1999-47699	19990709
EP 1097196	A1	20010509	EP 1999-931029	19990709
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE, MC, PT, IE, SI, LT, LV, FI, RO				
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			DK 1998-937	A 19980715
			DK 1998-1667	A 19981217
			WO 1998-DK937	W 19980715
			WO 1998-DK1667	W 19981217
			WO 1999-DK392	W 19990709

AB The invention relates to a variant of a parent fungal glucoamylase, which exhibits improved thermal stability and/or increased specific activity using saccharide substrates. The x-ray structure and/or model-build structure of Aspergillus awamori variant X100 glucoamylase was subjected to mol. dynamics simulations to identify regions important for temp.-stable activity. The truncated Gl glucoamylase from Aspergillus niger was modified by (1) random mutagenesis, (2) localized random, doped mutagenesis, or (3) PCR shuffling spiked with DNA oligonucleotides in order to prep. variants having improved thermostability compared to the parent enzyme. Such glucoamylase

variants

have use in starch saccharification, oligosaccharide prodn., specialty syrups, producing ethanol for fuel, producing beverages, and producing org. compds. (citric acid, ascorbic acid, lysine, glutamic acid).

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L4 ANSWER 3 OF 14 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:577030 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 131:196365

TITLE: N-terminal-truncated analogs of bacterial pullulanases retaining normal enzymic activity

INVENTOR(S): Miller, Brian S.; Shetty, Jayarama K.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Genencor International, Inc., USA

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 49 pp.

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

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WO 9945124	A2	19990910	WO 1999-US4627	19990303
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 CI, CM, GA, GN, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG  
 AU 9929801 A1 19990920 AU 1999-29801 19990303  
 BR 9908422 A 20001031 BR 1999-8422 19990303  
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 PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 1998-34630 A 19980304  
 WO 1999-US4627 W 19990303

**AB** **Pullulanases from Bacillus and Klebsiella that retain normal 1,6-.alpha.-glycosidase activity despite having truncations of up to 300 amino acids from the N-terminal domain, optionally with further amino acid substitutions, and that may be useful in the starch industry are described.** The present invention provides methods for producing the modified **pullulanase**, enzymic compns. comprising the modified **pullulanase**, and methods for the saccharification of starch comprising the use of the enzymic compns. Expression of the **Bacillus deramificans pullulanase** gene in **B. licheniformis** hosts lacking the Carlsberg subtilisin and endopeptidase Glu-C resulted in the appearance of a series of N-terminal **deletions of the pullulanase**. Saccharification of starch with mixts. of glucoamylase (20%) and the **pullulanases** (80%) led to the saccharification of the starch without the formation of disaccharides.

L4 ANSWER 4 OF 14 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:794818 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:106926  
 TITLE: **Pullulanase mutants of Bacillus strain KSM-AP1378 for preparation of detergents and starch-saccharifying agents**  
 INVENTOR(S): Sumitomo, Nobuyuki; Hatada, Yuji; Ichimura, Takashi;  
 Saito, Kazuhiro; Kawai, Shuji; Ito, Susumu  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Kao Corp., Japan  
 SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 19 pp.  
 CODEN: JKXXAF  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
 LANGUAGE: Japanese  
 FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
 PATENT INFORMATION:

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JP 10327868	A2	19981215	JP 1997-141596	19970530

**AB** **Prepn. of mutants of pullulanase of Bacillus strain KSM-AP1378 by deletion or substitution mutation at 443-Met and/or 557-Ala to improved their resistance to oxidizing agents; and use of the mutants for the prepn. of detergents and starch-saccharifying agents are described. The pullulanase is derived from the domain 1023-Met.apprx.1820-Asp of the 1938-amino-acid amylopullulanase of Bacillus strain KSM-AP1378. Prepn. of single mutants M443A, M443E, M443I, M443L, M443N, M443R, M443S, and M443V; prepn. of double mutants such as M443L/A557C; their stability in the presence of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>; and the washing ability of a detergent compn. contg. them were also shown. Also claimed are the detergent and saccharifying agents contg. the pullulanase mutants and other enzymes such as .alpha.-amylase, glucoamylase, etc.**

L4 ANSWER 5 OF 14 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R)  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:183379 SCISEARCH  
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: YZ056  
 TITLE: Conversion of neopullulanase-alpha-amylase from Thermoactinomyces vulgaris R-47 into an amylopullulanase-type enzyme  
 AUTHOR: Ibuka A; Tonozuka T; Matsuzawa H; Sakai H (Reprint)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV SHIZUOKA, SCH FOOD & NUTR SCI, 52-1 YADA, SHIZUOKA

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AB TVA I, an alpha-amylase from *Thermoactinomyces vulgaris* R-47, is a versatile enzyme which hydrolyzes the alpha-(1-->4)-glucosidic linkages of

pullulan to produce panose, known as neopullulanase activity, and the alpha-(1-->6)-glucosidic linkages of certain oligosaccharides. We modified

the Ala-357, Gin-359, and Tyr-360 residues located in region II, one of the four regions conserved in α-amylase family enzymes, and deleted 11 consecutive amino acid residues located after the C-terminus of region II of the TVA I sequence by means of site-directed mutagenesis. The action pattern of the mutated enzyme for pullulan was greatly altered and it hydrolyzed mainly the alpha-(1-->6)-glucosidic linkages of pullulan to produce maltotriose, while the action patterns for

starch and maltooligosaccharides were almost identical to those of the wild-type enzyme. This means that the mutated TVA I has lost the neopullulanase activity, and thus can be designated as an amylopullulanase-type enzyme. The k(cat)/K-m value of the mutated enzyme for alpha-(1-->6)-glucosidic linkages was virtually unaltered, while that for alpha-(1-->4)-glucosidic linkages was about 100 times smaller than that of the wild-type enzyme.

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TITLE: Cloning and sequence of a type I **pullulanase** from an extremely thermophilic anaerobic bacterium, *Caldicellulosiruptor saccharolyticus*

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AB A gene coding for a **pullulanase** from the obligately anaerobic, extremely thermophilic bacterium *Caldicellulosiruptor saccharolyticus* has been cloned in *Escherichia coli*. It consists of an open reading frame (pulA) of 2478 bp which codes for an enzyme of 95732

Da

and is flanked by two other open reading frames. A truncated

activity staining gel, while recombinant E. coli expressed a single amylase with a mol. wt. of 220 kDa (AapT), which corresponded to the mol. wt. calcd. from the open reading frame of aapT. The optimum temp. for the

activities of AapT-1 (85 kDa) and AapT-2 (135 kDa) was 70.degree.C, which is the same as that of the full-sized AapT (220 kDa) from E. coli. In contrast, the optimum pH for the activities of AapT-1 and AapT-2 were pH 7.0 and pH 8.0, resp., whereas that of the AapT (220 kDa) was pH 9.0. These observations indicated that the optimum pH for the activity of AapT was changed from the alk. to the neutral region when the enzyme was expressed in a lower mol. wt. truncated form. Furthermore, amino acid sequence alignment suggested that AapT was truncated in its C terminal region. Therefore, the noncatalytic C-terminal region may be responsible for the high optimum pH of the enzyme activity. In addn., activity staining and further anal. of AapT from the original strain, *Bacillus* sp. XAL601, showed glycosylation of the enzyme.

L4 ANSWER 9 OF 14 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:372926 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 122:153390

TITLE: *Bacillus* xylanase and gene, expression vectors for the xylanase and other proteins, expression hosts therefor, and use of xylanase in pulp

bleaching

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US 6180382	B1	20010130	US 1994-275526	19940715

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AB A purified xylanase derived from *B. pumilus* PRL B12 is disclosed. This xylanase is efficient for use in the biobleaching of wood pulp, permitting

a strong redn. in the quantity of chlorine used and AOX compds. produced in classical and ECF wood pulp bleaching sequences as well as the quantity

of ozone used in TCF sequences. The gene coding for the xylanase was isolated and purified and used to construct an expression vector therefor.

A recombinant host strain of *B. licheniformis* is also disclosed which is efficient for expressing heterologous enzymes, including the xylanase when

transformed by the expression vector. The pH and temp. optima and PI of the xylanase were detd. An alk. protease deletion mutant of *B.*

licheniformis was prep'd. and used for expression of the xylanase gene as well as for a no. other enzyme genes.

L4 ANSWER 10 OF 14 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS DUPLICATE 3  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:804017 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 123:310050  
TITLE: Extracellular secretion of **pullulanase** is unaffected by minor sequence changes but is usually prevented by adding reporter proteins to its N- or C-terminal end  
AUTHOR(S): Sauvionnet, Nathalie; Poquet, Isabelle; Pugsley, Anthony P.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Unite Genetique Moleculaire, Institut Pasteur, Paris, 75724, Fr.  
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AB Linker insertions in the **pullulanase** structural gene (**pula**) were examd. for their effects on **pullulanase** activity and cell surface localization in Escherichia coli carrying the cognate secretion genes from Klebsiella oxytoca. Of the 23 insertions, 11 abolished **pullulanase** activity but none were found to prevent secretion. To see whether more drastic changes affected secretion, we fused up to five reporter proteins (E. coli periplasmic alk. phosphatase, E. coli periplasmic maltose-binding protein, periplasmic TEM .beta.-lactamase, Erwinia chrysanthemi extracellular endoglucanase Z, and **Bacillus subtilis** extracellular levansucrase) to three different positions in the **pullulanase** polypeptide: close to the N terminus of the mature protein, at the C terminus of the protein, or at the C terminus of a truncated **pullulanase** variant lacking the last 256 amino acids. Only 3 of the 13 different hybrids were efficiently secreted: 2

in which .beta.-lactamase was fused to the C terminus of full-length or truncated **pullulanase** and 1 in which maltose-binding protein was fused close to the N terminus of **pullulanase**. Affinity-purified endoglucanase-**pullulanase** and **pullulanase**-endoglucanase hybrids exhibited apparently normal levels of **pullulanase** activity, indicating that the conformation of the **pullulanase** segment of the hybrid had not been dramatically altered by the presence of the reporter. However, **pullulanase**-endoglucanase hybrids were secreted efficiently if the endoglucanase component comprised only the 60-amino-acid, C-terminal cellulose-binding domain, suggesting that at least one factor limiting hybrid protein secretion might be the size of the reporter.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1994:624994 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 121:224994  
TITLE: A novel **pullulanase** that is thermostable under acid conditions and cloning and expression of the gene encoding it  
INVENTOR(S): DeWeer, Philippe; Amory, Antoine  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Solvay et Cie., Belg.  
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AT 183236	E	19990815	AT 1993-203593	19931220
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FI 9305900	A	19940629	FI 1993-5900	19931228
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US 5736375	A	19980407	US 1995-474545	19950607
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BE 1993-1278	A	19931119
US 1993-174893	B1	19931228
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AB A novel **pullulanase** that is heat-stable at acid pHs is obtained from **Bacillus** and the gene encoding it is cloned and expressed for manuf. of the enzyme for processing polysaccharides. The enzyme has

a temp. optimum of 55-65.degree. at pH 4.3 and retains >80% of its activity in the pH range 3.8-4.9. An isolate of **Bacillus deramificans** capable of hydrolyzing a pullulan deriv. at 37.degree.; the strain (**B. deramificans** T89.117D) was not itself heat-tolerant. The enzyme accumulated in the medium and was purified 10-fold (32% yield) from cultures grown on yeast ext./potato starch medium by centrifugation, heat treatment, acetone pptn., and ion-exchange chromatog. The gene was cloned

by expression from a Sau3A partial bank in pBR322. The cloned gene was expressed in a **Bacillus licheniformis** host from which the alk. proteinase gene had been deleted using either an autonomously replicating or integrating plasmid.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:504497 BIOSIS

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TITLE: The role of the lipoprotein sorting signal (aspartate plus-2) in **pullulanase** secretion.

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AB The analyses of hybrid proteins and of deletion and insertion mutations reveal that the only amino acid at the amino-proximal end of the

cell surface lipoprotein **pullulanase** that is specifically required for its extracellular secretion is an aspartate at position +2, immediately after the fatty acylated amino-terminal cysteine. To see whether the requirement for this amino acid is related to its proposed role as a cytoplasmic membrane lipoprotein sorting signal, we used sucrose

gradient floatation analysis to determine the subcellular location of **pullulanase** variants (with or without the aspartate residue) that

accumulated in cells lacking the **pullulanase**-specific secretion genes. A non-secretable **pullulanase** variant with a serine at position +2 cofractionated mainly with the major peak of outer membrane porin. In contrast, most (55%) of a **pullulanase** variant with an aspartate at position +2 cofractionated with slightly lighter fractions that contained small proportions of both outer membrane porin and the cytoplasmic membrane marker NADH oxidase. Only 5% of this **pullulanase** variant cofractionated with the major NADH oxidase peak, while the rest (c. 40%) remained at the bottom of the gradient in fractions totally devoid of porin and NADH oxidase. When analysed by sedimentation through sucrose gradients, however, a large proportion of this variant was recovered from fractions near the top of the gradient that also contained the major NADH oxidase peak. When this peak fraction was applied to a floatation gradient, the **pullulanase** activity remained at the bottom while the NADH oxidase floated to the top. Thus, there is no evidence that lipoproteins that cofractionate with the cytoplasmic membrane under certain conditions are actually associated with

the membrane. Instead, the results support our previous proposal that lipoproteins with an aspartate +2 residue are specifically enriched in a distinct domain of the cell envelope that contains material from both the cytoplasmic and the outer membranes. Possible explanations for the requirement for the aspartate residue in **pullulanase** secretion are discussed.

L4 ANSWER 13 OF 14 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS DUPLICATE 4  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1992:231648 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 116:231648  
TITLE: An enzyme with type IV prepilin peptidase activity is required to process components of the general extracellular protein secretion pathway of Klebsiella oxytoca

AUTHOR(S): Pugsley, Anthony P.; Dupuy, Bruno  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Unite Genet. Mol., Inst. Pasteur, Paris, 75724, Fr.  
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AB The last gene (**pulO**) of the **pul-O** **pullulanase** secretion gene operon of Klebsiella oxytoca codes for a protein that is 52% identical to the product of the **pilD/xcpA** gene required for extracellular protein secretion and type IV plus biogenesis in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. The **PilD/XcpA** protein is known to remove the first six amino acids of the signal sequence of the type IV pilin precursor by cleaving after the glycine residue in the conserved sequence GF(M)XXXE (where X represents hydrophobic amino acids). This prepilin peptidase cleavage site is present in the products of four genes in the **pulC-O** operon (**PulG**, **PulH**, **PulI** and **PulJ** proteins). It is shown here that **PulO** processes the **pulG** gene product *in vivo*. Processing was maximal within 15 s, but expts. in which the expression of **pulO** was uncoupled from that of the other genes in

the secretion operon suggest that processing can also occur post-translationally. The products of two **pulG** derivs. with internal inframe **deletions** were also processed by **PulO**, but the three **PulG-PhoA** hybrids, two **PulJ-PhoA** hybrids and the single **PulH-PhoA** hybrid tested did not appear to be processed. Sucrose gradient fractionation expts. showed that both precursor and mature forms of **PulG** appear to be assocd. with low-d., outer membrane vesicles prep'd. by osmotic lysis of sphaeroplasts. Neither the **xcpA** gene nor the **Bacillus subtilis** gene **comC**, which is also homologous to **pulO** and codes for a protein with type IV prepilin activity, can correct the **pullulanase** secretion defect in an *Escherichia coli* strain carrying all of the genes required for secretion except **pulO**. Furthermore, neither **XcpA** nor **ComC** is able to process pre**PulG** protein *in vivo*.

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AUTHOR(S):  
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Characteristics of thermostable **pullulanase**  
from **Bacillus stearothermophilus** and the  
nucleotide sequence of the gene  
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AB Thermostable **pullulanase** was purified to homogeneity on sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gel from the culture supernatant of **B. stearothermophilus** TRS128. However, multiformity of the **pullulanase** was suggested by activity staining on a pullulan-reactive red plate. The thermostability of the enzyme was tested. In the presence of Ca<sup>2+</sup>, the optimum temp. of the **pullulanase** was 75.degree., and nearly 100% of the enzyme activity was retained even after treatment at 68.degree. for 60 min. Since the thermostable **pullulanase** gene (**pult**) has been cloned, the nucleotide sequence was detd. Although the DNA sequence revealed only

one

large open reading frame, 2 possible pairs of SD sequence and initiation codon were found in the frame. To analyze the regulatory region, several mutations (deletion, insertion and substitution of nucleotides) were introduced in the flanking region of **pult**, using site-directed mutagenesis. A putative promoter, SD sequence and initiation codon were inferred. The **pult** gene was composed of 1974 bases and 658 amino acid residues (mol. wt. 75,375). The deduced amino acid sequence of the thermostable **pullulanase** exhibited a fairly low homol. with that of the thermolabile **pullulanase** from *Klebsiella aerogenes*. However, 4 consensus sequences contg. catalytic and(or) substrate binding sites for amylolytic enzymes were also found in the thermostable **pullulanase** and the thermolabile enzyme.

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